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Changes in the Public Schools—Roscoe Conkling Bruce's Administrative Ability in Evidence—Dr. Shepard's Plans—Anita Patti Brown Coming.

By R. W. Thompson.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 23.—The personal popularity of President Taft with the colored citizens of the land was never more happily attested than at tonight's session of the series of meetings held by the National Emancipation Commemorative Society, celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, spacious Metropolitan A. M. E. church was crowded to the doors with an audience that represented the best thought and most productive activities of the Negroes of the country, and they gave the chief executive a continuous ovation from the time he entered with Major Rhoads, his aid, to the time of his departure. His admirable address was applauded to the echo, each salient point being greeted with hearty evidences of approval. The choir, under the direction of Prof. John T. Layton, sang "The Star Spangled Banner" as the President took his place on the platform, the audience joining in, and at its close, the Chautauqua salute was given with a will.

Taft Lauds Humane Work of Lincoln.

President Taft praised without stint the humane work of Abraham Lincoln for the cause of liberty. He regarded the emancipation of the slaves and the abolition of the system from the nation's political and economic life as the highest triumph of American statesmanship. Lincoln was not only an enemy to slavery, but handled his cause with masterly diplomacy, striking it down at a time when he could call it a war measure and stand justified before the critics of the world, and secure support that under other circumstances might have been withheld. He succeeded in his own way, refusing to be hurried on the one hand or deterred by the slave sympathizers on the other. Lincoln, declared the President, gave to the nation a substantial yeomanry that has done much to make the country what it is—the proudest and grandest nation under the sun. Lincoln gave the black man an opportunity to rise, and in his fifty years of freedom, he has given such a good account of himsel fthat the labors and sacrifices of his friends have yielded golden fruit. The judgment of the foes of slavery has been vindicated beyond cavil. No race in history has made such a marvelous showing in half a century of opportunity, proving that equality of opportunity is the right and need of every class of people. The white man has helped, but the Negro deserves the largest measure of credit, for he has accomplished the lion's share of his uplift by his own efforts—his own love of knowledge, quick comprehension of the saving power of thrift, industry and economy, unfailing loyalty to his flag, and burning ambition to make the lot of his children brighter than his own. The sensible Negro has learned that self-help is the best help, and he is solving his own problem along that line. The wonderful achievements of the race in every avenue of activity is ample proof that the right road has been chosen, and the cnstanto successes scored indicate that the loftiest goal is posible of attainment.

"Perhaps the chief glory of the Negro's career in this country is his advancement in education," said the President. "Fifty years ago he was freed fro mbondage, practically in ignorance of all that books contain. Nearly 100 per cent. were illiterate. Today that big total of illiteracy has been reduced to about 30 per cent., a showing of which any people may well feel proud—a record which you do well to celebrate here tonight. I rejoice with you in this signal hour, and bespeak for you triumphs that even the most optimistic among you scarcely dare to think of at this time. No race that has come through the valley, as you have done, and scaled the mountains of opposition as you have shown yourselves capable of doing, can fail in the struggle that faces all of us who aspire to better things."

President Taft was in excellent voice and his spirit was never more genial. He spoke sincerely, earnestly and sympathetically, without any effort to patronize his his audience or to make political capital. The Negroes saw the real Taft tonight—and they demonstrated that they liked the man.

Prof. Jesse Lawson, president of the National Emancipation Commemorative Society, presided, and introduced the President in a masterly speech, commending him as a kind-hearted, broad-minded and patriotic tribune of the people, ever mindful of the highest welfare of the nation which had intrusted to him the scepter of power. Other able addresses during the evening were delivered by Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard University; Rev. I. N. Ross, pastor of Metropolitan A. M. E. church and others. Musical selections were rendered by Miss Edna Gordon and the Metropolitan church choir.

The Emancipation Celebration.

The emancipation celebration began Sunday afternoon at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church with a monster "song jubilee," and an address on "Fifty Years of Freedom," by Dr. S. M. Newman, president of Howard University. Monday was held the Sociological Congress, addressed by Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education. Tuesday is set apart for the Congress of Colored Educators, with a grand street parade in the afternoon, embracing military, fraternal and civic organizations, industrial features and commercial display. Wednesday comes the Congress of Colored Women at the Nineteenth Street Baptist church, and on Thursday will be held the Interdenominational Religious Congress at Shiloh Baptist church. Delegates from many states are here and the celebration is proving to be a monumental success. Great credit is due Prof. Jesse Lawson for the conception and the well-ordered working out of the plans that have culminated in an observance that shall stand as a model of dignified, constructive and inspiring recognition of a day that means everything to the 12,000,000 Negroes on this continent.

The Public Schools Open.

The public schools opened Monday with a large attendance, estimated at about 15,000 colored pupils in the common, high and normal schools. The colored schools are under the supervision of Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce, a graduate of Harvard College, and a young man of great force of character and marked executive ability. In the years he has been in charge of the schools here he has given repeated evidences of his capacity as an administrator of the first rank and many improvements have been made in all departments, both as to plan of study and in physical equipment.

The business department, which has grown to substantial proportions, has been transferred from the jurisdiction of the Armstrong manual training school to that of the M street high school, and W. T. S. Jackson, formerly principal of M street, replaces G. H. Murray as the official head of the business section. The work of the department will continue to be carried on in the Phelps building, on Vermont avenue.

The board of education is made up of nine citizens, three colored and six white. Three of the nine are usually women. The declination of W. L. Houston to serve as a member of the board leaves one vacancy in the colored allotment. This vacancy will be filled early in October by the judges of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, t whom the appointing power is entrusted. There are several very capable men under consideration for the place, but those in authority have not, as yet, given any indication as to their choice. The new appointee will be a friend of the existing administration, which has been sustained by the sober judgment of the citizens of the District on every occasion where a controversy has arisen touching its general policies. The present colored members of the board are Lawyer R. R. Morner and Mrs. Carrie Wilder aHrris.

Numerous transfers and consolidations have been ordered, and the wave of economy has kept new appointments down to a minimum. It is expected, however, that several appointments will have to be made, if the attendance continues at its present height. The rank and file of the colored citizens have the utmost confidence in the Bruce administration, and will stand by the assistant superintendent's wise recommendations, believing that he has always at heart the best interests of the schools and the whole people.

Back from the B. M. C.

The District clans are back from the Atlanta meeting of the B. M. C., telling various tales as to what hapened there. Much important business was transacted before the fateful election was attempted, and it is thought that the affairs of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows are in a shape to go through the next two years. It is expected that the next meeting will be held in Boston in 1914. Deputy Grand Master Henry Lincoln Johnson and Associate Justice W. L. Houston take an optimistic view of the situation. They admit that things did not go altogether as some of the leaders had planned but they rejoice that the order withstodd the trial and that no split is seriously contemplated. Editor H. P. Slaughter is non-committal and is satisfied with the part he played in the exciting drama. The present officers will retain their places until 1914, the Supreme Court included.

Mme. Anita Patti Brown Coming.

Mme. Anita Patti Brown, admitted to be the race's foremost coloratura soprano, is to be the bright and particular star of an autumn musical festival about Thanksgiving time, projected by that versatile genius, Miss Lulu Vere Childers, director of music at Howard University. She will appear in a new repertoire of classical gems and will be heard at her best. The supporting company and supporting chorus will be the most notable that Washington has seen in many a day. An effort is being made to have Mme. Brown appear in a series of popular concerts while in this vicinity, to give all of our citizens a chance to hear her marvelous voice. Following the engagements of Mme. Brown here and at a limited number of eastern points, she goes on a long tour, which will include Bermuda, Jamaica, Haiti, South America and Panama.

Washington society will turn out en masse to greet this famous prima donna when she comes this way Thanksgiving tide.

True Reformers at Work.

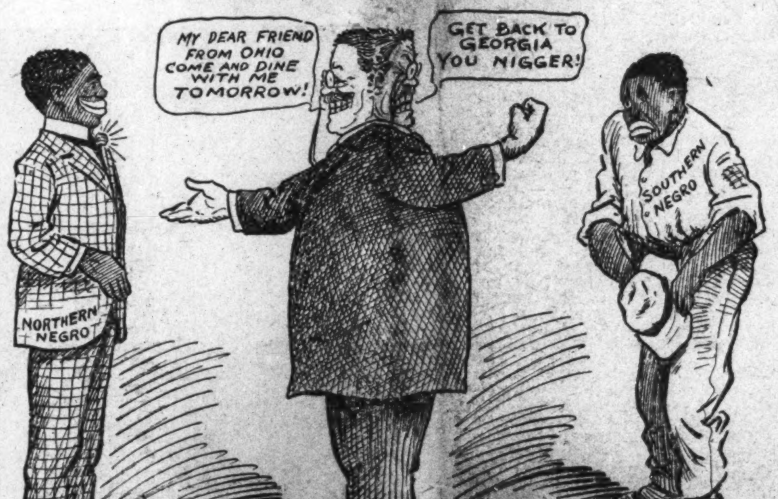
The Washington Division of the United Order of True Reformers is doing its part in the work of rehabilitating the organization. Mrs. Sarah F. Lewis, chief of the local division, headed a large delegation of True Reformers, who left Monday to attend the annual convention of the Grand Fountain in Richmond, Va. Her report shows that during the current year death benefits have been paid to the amount of $22,692.57. A few evenings ago, Mrs. Lewis was rendered a royal reception by the Washington Division, in honor of her appointment, in which the citizens at large joined most heartily. The installation ceremonies were in charge of a committee, headed by Miss Minnie Berkley, chairman, and Mrs. M. L. S. Matthews secretary.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Afro-America's platform queen, had an excellent article in the current issue of the Progressive Age, Omaha, Neb., on "The Justice of Woman Suffrage." Mrs. Terrell is the race's leading exponent of the equal suffrage idea, and has succeeded in converting scores of the most pronounced antagonists of "votes for women."

Dr. James E. Shepard has been touring Maine and New Hampshire in the interest of the National Religious Training school at Durham, N. C., and has added many influential white men and women to the roster of the school's substantial friendsfl The system of correlating the moral and the industrial training, together with the academic—placing the largest empsasis on the inner soul of the man—appeals with peculiar force to the reasoning people of today, and Dr. Shepard, in two years of active work on this idea, has developed an institution that ranks with the finest and best in the land.

Dr. Shepard was in the city this week and talked at length upon his plans for the new year. His school opens October 9, and he says the enrollment already in sight outstrips that of any previous year, and renders enlargement of facilities absolutely necessary before another twelvemonth rolls around. The ministers of the country are still applauding Dr. Shepard because of the helpful results that are growing out of the great ministerial conference held at his Durham school last July. Another great conference is on foot for next summer.

JANUS SPEAKS


MY DEAR FRIEND FROM OHIO COME AND DINE WITH ME TOMORROW!
GET BACK TO GEORGIA YOU NIGGER!
NORTHERN NEGRO
SOUTHERN NEGRO

"Col. Roosevelt's animus as evinced in the discharge and disgrace of the colored soldiers who had saved his life has never been equaled in his career, which is remarkable for bitterness and bull-headedness. The colored people will remember how he hounded Joseph Benson Foraker to political exile for no reason other than he had defended the black soldiers who had befriended the flag."—Rev. A. J. Carey, Pastor of Institutional Church, Chicago.

HUMBOLDT, TENN.

Special to the Freeman.

Rev. C. C. Adams spent Sunday in McKinzie....Mr. T. A. Baugh, head of the Juvenile band of the Statium shows, is here for a week's engagement at the Tri-County fair grounds. Mr. Baugh, with his clean show and family band, always makes a hit. Come again.....Say, listen, that mysterious Dyersburg three were in town Sunday. Something funny is going on....O. S. Sawyers, M. D., was in Trenton, Friday, on business....Mr. W. A. Redmond and his sister, Mrs. Battie and Little Messrs. Teddy and Geo. Crawford left Monday night for Chicago, Ill.... E. H. Brassfield, D. D. S., who has practiced his profession in this city for the last five months, left Friday for Nashville, to pursue a medical course at Meharry Medical College. We wish for him health, wealth and prosperity....Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Williams and children, after spending about three months in this city, left for their home in Memphis, Sunday ....Hush! don't cry! Wipe away your tears, that beautiful (fragrant?) sewer which finds its way from the canning factory and runs along the street by the colored public school and tells it that I am passing, will be embalmed soon by Mr. Mangrum....Mr. J. B. McLin is all smiles again....Mr. Willie Rivers wants to come back, but he can't....Rev. C. C. Adams, accompanied by the writer, spent Wednesday in the country, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Porter....Misses Nadine Griggsby and Mattie Musgroves were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. McEdwards, Sunday..Miss A. B. Ragan looks some now. Cheer up, Nellie, your time next......Mr. Calvin McClary, of Cairo, Ill., is at home for a few days with his family....Mr. C. H. Rufus is holding up every post in town. The prognosis is grave, Rufus....Messrs. C. J. Porter and Henry Langley, of Brownsville, were in town Sunday. Cousin Charlie looks natural....Miss Catherine Walker, of Oklahoma, Miss., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ragan for the past month, returned home Monday evening. Miss Walker made many friends....The grand lodge of Knights and Daughters of Tabor convened in Jackson last week. Mrs. Green represented Humboldt lodge ....Miss Lula Crofford, of Union City, stopped over on her way home from the grand session....Mrs. Henry Emerson, of Columbus, Ky., who has been visiting her parents at Brownville, Tenn., was the guest of Mrs. Mangrum, Saturday and Sunday.

CORAOPOLIS (PA.) NOTES.

(By D. P. Dorsey.)

Special to The Freeman.

At the New Hope Baptist church last Sunday morning, Rev. D. M. Henderson, the pastor, preached to a large congregation. He preached again at 3 p. m. at the St. Paul A. M. E. Zion church; and at 6 p. m. the B. Y. P. U. was held.... The Old Folk's Club of the New Hope Baptist church was entertained Tuesday by Mr. and Mrs. Hamlet at their residence on Chess street. Mr. Thomas Wren and Mrs. Marie Tynus will entertain the club at the residence of Mrs. O. Z. Douglass on Hazel street....Mr. Solomon W. Barnett and Mr. Charles Pensinger, of Pittsburgh, were visitors in town Sunday. ....Mrs. Benjamin Ford, of 346 Chestnut street, Semickley, entertained at dinner last Sunday in honor of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hawkins, of Point Pleasant, W. Va. Covers were laid for ten. The decorations were pink and white. Among the other guests were a sister, Mrs. Alice Louly, and Jacob Settles, of Point Pleasant, W. Va....J. S. Lee, Jr., has returned to resume his studies in the medical school of the University of Pittsburgh....Miss Ruth Lee, who has been spending her summer vacation with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Lee, of Wilkensburg, returned to Baltimore to resume her duties as a teacher in the public schools in that city....While in Hampton, Va., recently, Mrs. J. S. Lee secured the promise of Mrs. Booker T. Washington to visit Pittsburgh. This promise is to be fulfilled about October 3, when she will come to this city as the guest of the So-Re-Lit Club....Mrs. P. Brent, of Baltimore, Md., who has been the guest of Mrs. Carroll Washington, returned to her home Thursday....Mrs. Alberta Henry, of Baltimore, was the guest of Mrs. M. Dorsey, of Chess street, for several days the past week....The sixty-fourth session of the Allegheny-Ohio conference of the A. M. E. church will be held September 18-22 in St. Matthew's A. M. E. Zion church, Semickley, Pa. Bishop J. S. Caldwell, of Philadelphia, Pa., will be the presiding officer. Routine business will take up the time of the conference from Thursday until Sunday evening. Every preparation for the comfort and entertainment of the members of the conference and visitors has been made by the pastor and congregation....Mrs. Emma Smith and children visited in Aspinwall, Pa., during the past week....Read the Freeman and get all the news of the colored race. For sale by D. P. Dorsey, 721 Chess street, Coraopolis, Pa.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Special to The Freeman.

Miss Alleen White, of Springfield, is here visiting Rev. and Mrs. Jones, for an indefinite period....Mrs. Louania Riley has returned home from attending a meeting of the Grand Chapter No. 496, Household of Ruth, which met at Atlanta, Ga. ....Charlie Harrison, of Mounds, Ill., has come to Champaign to attend the Champaign schools......Misses Lousie, and Vesta Lewis and Douglas Amos, of Cairo, Ill., have returned to Champaign, to resume their work in the University of Illinois......Mr. George Taylor has returned to Champaign, after spending the summer in St. Louis with his people.... Bird Rice, of Providence, Ky., has come to Champaign, to attend the University of Illinois....Mr. Carl Burrus Dickerson has returned to Champaign to resume his work in the L. and A. college of the University of Illinois....Mrs. Morris entertained Miss Scott and Mr. Peanicks, as a sort of farewell. Mrs. Scott and Mr. Peanicks departed for Cincinnati, O., on Monday, September 16, and will be married there. From there they will go to Texas, where they will make their home ....Mrs. Lady Simson and her daughter Viva, of Havana, visited her son, Mr. Earl Simson, who is employed as a barber at Dr. F. J. Jordan's barber shop.... A dance was given at 63 North Market street, Thursday, September 17. A very nice crowd attended and good order was maintained. The committee in charge consisted of Spencer A. Johnson, P. F. Roy and Ray Scott....Champaign is going to have a colored paper. The name of the paper is The Noise. First issue will be out Saturday, September 21....The Freeman is the most widely known colored paper in the United States and it gives you the news from Maine to California. It is on sale at 109 North Champaign street. Your patronage is solicited.

QUITMAN, MISS.

Special to The Freeman.

Our city is in mourning owing to an accident which occurred last week to Dora Bartee who was shot and killed by her husband's cousin....The revival has closed at Pearl Grove after a very successful meeting....Miss Katie Blakney is the newly-elected president of the W. G. H. Club....Mr. A. D. Coleman has been elected president of the Y. M. C. C. Club. The club will give a picnic at Enterprise, Miss, and at night will attend a pleasure session. All friends of the district are invited....The meeting at the M. E. church was very successful, with the ecorts of Rev. R. House. The passion week will be the first week in October....Read the Freeman and get the news of our race. For sale by Mr. Robert McLendon every Saturday.

BULL MOOSE MEETING!

A HAND FULL OF NEGRO BOLTERS CONFER IN CHICAGO

MEDIL McCORMICK FURNISHES THE DOE

George W. Ellis Presided and Made a Great Speech Relative to the Initiative, Referendum and Recall, which Means Disfranchisement for Negroes.

By Phil H. Brown.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 26.

Hark! Hark! The dogs do bark!
The Moosers have come to town.
Some in rags and some in tags
And some in velvet gowns.

With due and profound apologies to that fairy godmother of the nursery, Old Mother Goose, for our feeble paraphrasing of her rhyme, we arise to announce that the loudly heralded Brindle Bull Moose conference has come and gone, and events in history have moved forward to admit one more stirring epoch. The cryptic portals of the La Salle Hotel verberate and reverberate with echoes of the forensic pyrotechnics and the circumambient atmosphere is mellow with the odors of the commissary.

Verily, the story reads like a romance. Truth is stranger than fiction. At the headquarters of the colored Bull Moosers all was bustle and confusion. Telegraph boys went, but few of them came bearing messages that were sent helter-skelter throughout the land asking for a conference of the Brindle Bull Moosers to meet in Chicago last Saturday. The responses were recalcitrant. A council of war was held within the inner circle of the Bull Moose holy of holies. Moose Beauregard Moseley, who is a brilliant gentleman and a first-class fighting man, was present, as was Chief Brindle Bull Moose George W. Ellis, equally a gentleman of excellent components; Moose James H. Hayes, of Richmond, who came to see that it was well done, and other stars of lesser magnitude.

Mr. Ellis feared that the conference would be a fizzle and pined for the cooperation of Mr. Moseley, who vouchsafed to him only meager comfort, inasmuch as he was of the opinion that the conference would have the effect to display the weakness of the cause to the enemy, not to mention the white Moose friends, who were pervaded by great expectations.

At this critical juncture the kindly offices of Joseph Medill McCormick were invoked, and, with characteristic generosity, he touched the wires and assured the skittish Moosers in various distant States that if they should come hence, he would see that the coin of the realm would be forthcoming to offset the expense and other disabilities of their coming.

Accordingly, at the appointed hour, eighteen Moosers, ten of whom were from Chicago and vicinity, assembled in profound conclave. Moose Ellis occupied the chair with great dignity. In dulcet tones he explained the objects of the meeting. We did not hear his speech, but are persuaded that they had assembled for the purpose of the extension of disfranchisement by means of the initiative, referendum and recall, into the Northern States, and to discount and discard their brothers at the South. They were jealous of the Southern Negro basking in the blessings of discrimination and disfranchisement, and were now going to have disfranchisement of their own and under their own vine and fig tree. The great scion of pragmatism, Theodore Roosevelt, had promised them this boom in his Magna Charta, the Initiative, Referendum and Recall, and what he promised he assuredly gave. He had promised to disgrace the Negro soldier at Brownsville, and had kept his word. And so on, down the gamut of the Bull Moose ritual.

After Mr. Ellis had explained the objects of the meeting, Mr. Moseley arose and objected very strenuously to the conference, per se. He said that the colored people were complaining about being jim-crowed by the white people, and that here in this conference they were jim-crowing themselves. He did not believe in the Brindle Bull Moosers. If they were Moosers, they were just simply Moosers, and no more and no less.

After this Mr. A. N. Fields, at the direction of the chairman, distributed nice, clean sheets of foolscap paper (note that the paper was foolscap), and each Mooser was directed to write a well-worded essay upon the subject: "Why I am a Mooser." A fine kindergarten atmosphere prevailed during this operation. Colored committeemen from all of the three States represented were appointed, preferably those present. Notic was served that the expenses of speakers in the campaign would be paid, but no further remuneration must be expected.

This announcement elicited deep-seated groans from the prospective spellbinders, who had entertained roseate visions of glittering gold from the Harvester Trust, and an ill-concealed discontentment invaded the child-like and bland-like spirit of the meeting.

After distributing the loaves and fishes to reimburse the Moosers who had come from afar, in which proceeding sundry disputes arose as to the amounts received, some of the Moosers having been so profligate as to ride hither in luxurious sleeping cars, and singing the battle hymn of the Brindle Bull Moosers, which runs,

"John Brown's body lies mouldering in the clay;
Abraham Lincoln has surely had his day;
We are here for disfranchisement, and you bet we're here to stay,
While the Moose goes marching on,"

the Brindle Bull Moose conference adjourned sine die.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

The Needs Are Neglected and the Masses Are Wasting Great Opportunities—More Determined Should Be the Stand Against It All.

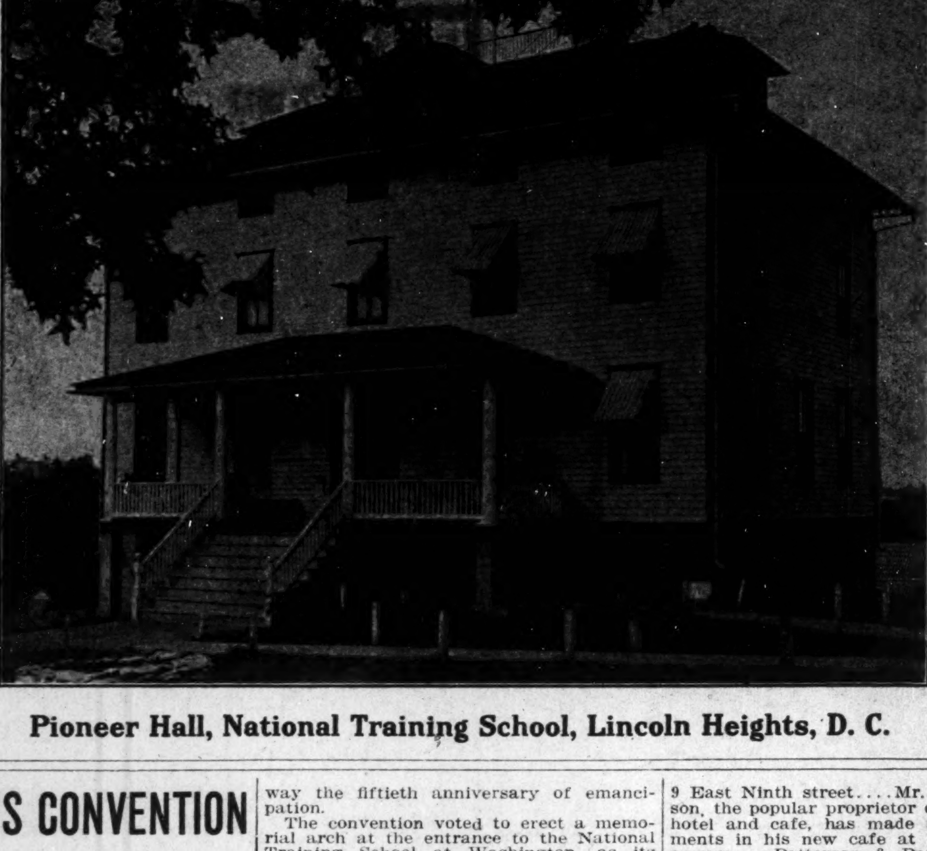
It will pay some of the people here to wake up and go on North Central avenue and take a stroll any Saturday, Sunday or Monday night, if they want a sight seeing of the human family and a birdseye view of the different types of the race which make up the masses and classes. The trip will prove quite interesting to any who are interested in the betterment of the people, and they will see some of the evils that exist there at all times, simply because it is traveled by members of the race more than by any other kinds of people. Something ought to be done to improve the conduct of some of those who visit this stroll nightly, as it will soon be so that respectable members of the race will have to go elsewhere to avoid being insulted, run over, beat up or probably killed accidently by those who care for one one but themselves, and very little for themselves at times....Misses Eva and Fannie Weems, teachers in the city schools, have begun teaching since returning from Colorado Springs, where they spent their vacation....These cold days caused several well-known sports of the city to hunt up their pawn tickets and redeem their "soaked" wearing apparel in order to meet Mr. Winter, who is rapidly approaching....Mrs. Frank Mullins was called to Chickasha the past week on business....Mrs. Maggie Moore visited in the Panther city this week....Mr. G. A. Turner, the blacksmith, is with Mr. Alex Duty on Walton street....Mr. John Miles and family have moved to Chicago to make their future home....Mrs. John E. Thomas, formerly of Dallas but now living in Oklahoma City, is here visiting relatives and friends....Is it a disgrace to work and earn an honest living? No! But we have right here in Dallas hundreds of people who hate to work and even try to hide when they go out to do a day's work or pick cotton. This is one good reason for the overcrowded condition of our jails and street gangs and penitentiaries. No one should be ashamed to labor at honest work....This is the last quarter, so pay up what you owe the Freeman agent. This will be your last call for this paper, so see Griffin and settle up....Mrs. J. C. Cooper, of Queen City, was called to Redland, Cal., on account of the death of her daughter, Lula. Her many Dallas friends smpathize with her in these sad hours....Mr. H. Munn, of Muskogee, spent several days here the past week looking after the comfort of his three girls, whom he placed in the Catholic school on Allen and Cochran streets....It is quite a saying now among the active fraternal men of Dallas, "My hat is in the ring"....Colored men who have obtained employment in garages should strive and master the mechanicism of the automobile, because the unions will begin war some of these days, and every one of you will be summoned to answer. ....It is oftentimes said that a fool and his money soon part. This is the case with several who pick cotton and get their pay. They come to Dallas every Saturday and load up and spend all they have made. It is a sad sight about the Union Station every Sunday morning to see some of these people trying to get home, telling all kinds of hard luck stories. They know that the farmers must have their services, and naturally place themselves on the sympathy of these worthy men.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.

Hon. Nelson Crews, of Kansas City, delivered an eloquent address at Lindell park last Sunday afternoon....The emancipation proclamation parade was the largest and best ever witnessed in this city....Mesdames M. A. Davis and Minnie Chambers, after several months' stay in Denver, Col., have returned home.... Mrs. W. S. Baldwin has returned from Chicago, where she has been visiting with relatives and friends....The K. of P.'s of this city have organized a uniform rank. They expect to be present in Baltimore next summer....Politics are waxing warm in this city. Meetings are held every night....Mr. Walter Maxwell, government inspector at the National Stockyards, has returned from New Albany, Ind., where he was called on account of the death of his father....Rev. S. B. Jones and wife have gone to Metropolis, Ill., to attend the district conference. Rev. Jones has been in our city for the past five years. Under his pastorate the congregation of St. Luke has increased. He has made many warm friends among both the white and colored people. He preached an eloquent sermon to the East St. Louis Social Club last Sunday night....The attendance in the public schools is not as large as it should be....Miss Pearl Abernathy has gone to Chicago for a few weeks' vacation....Mr. and Mrs. Abernathy have the sympathy of the community in the death of their eldest daughter. ....Phone your news to Br. 2817-L.... Copies of the Freeman are on sale at Kyles' barber shop.

SELMA (ALA.) NOTES.

The city schools, presided over by Prof. R. B. Hudson and an efficient corps of teachers, will begin their fall session on Monday, September 28......Ex-Congressman Murray, of South Carolina, delivered an excelent lecture to an admiring audience at the A. M. E. church on Friday night......Misses Almedia and Elezora Burwell and Bessie O. Boyd left for Oberlin College Friday morning....Dr. I. A. Boyd, of Washington, D. C., is visiting relatives in Alabama. The doctor takes no stock in the new political party, but is landing sledge hammer blows in the interest of the Republican party. But for the disfranchisements, his stand for the Grand Old Party would mean much....Prof. M. M. Archer has arranged for a mock presidential election with all parties represented. The entertainment will be for the benefit of his school....The Freeman can be purchased from Herbert I. Boyd, 518 Sylvan street.



Pioneer Hall, National Training School, Lincoln Heights, D. C.

WOMAN'S CONVENTION

Baptist Ladies Hold Important Meeting at Houston, Tex., in Conjunction with the National Baptist Convention—More than $12,000 Raised.

Special to the Freeman.

The women's convention, auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, has just closed its twelfth annual session. The meeting was held in the Antioch Baptist church, Houston, Texas. Nearly every state in the Union was represented, either by delegates or by the payment of their annual representation fee.

The convention is the largest organization of Christian women in the world. Its growth has been phenominal, and the Houston meeting gave evidence of the fact that marked improvement is being made by the great mass of women, who are giving themselves to the religious and educational uplift of the race. Earnestness of purpose, wide vision and consecration of life characterize those who have the constructive work of the convention in hand.

A look at the program shows that the women are actually and actively engaged in social service work, at home, missionary effort on foreign fields and in training the women and girls for Christian service.

Their addresses were thoroughly prepared and delivered without manuscript. We have never attended a meeting of the women, in which we heard them make their appeals 'straight from the shoulder" with such earnestness of soul, and so acceptable in the general presentation.

The following are the officers of the convention:

Mrs. S. Willie Layten, president; Mrs. S. C. J. Byrant, vice-president; Mrs. Virginia Broughton, recording secretary; Mrs. M. E. Goins, assistant recording secretary; Miss N. H. Burroughs, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. V. Parrish, treasurer; Mrs. E. A. Wilson, statistician.

You can readily see that such an array of capable women can but achieve for the denomination the splendid results shown in the report of Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, the corresponding secretary. All of the officers were elected by acclamation.

The most gratifying thing to be noted in connection with the work of the Woman's Auxiliary is that they have grown so rapidly. Twelve years ago, at their first annual meeting, they raised fifteen dollars; this year they reported $26,968.09. The money is used in helping to support missionaries on foreign fields, to educate foreign students in American institutions and to operate the National Training School for Women and Girls at Washington, D. C., which institution is owned by the convention.

The women bought this property and opened the school three years ago. From a valuation of $6,000 the property has increased, through buildings and other improvements made on the grounds, until the plant is worth $28,000. Do not ask whether Negro women can attempt and execute a great work on a large scale. The Women's Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, answers the question.

One of the special features of the Houston meeting was the needlework exhibition. Articles were donated by women from all parts of the country and were sold for the benefit of the work of the convention.

Another special feature, indicative of the progressive spirit that characterizes the leaders, is the young women's movement, which has for its object the enlistment of our girls in Christian work. Their program on Friday evening was in every way most creditable. Like the women who appeared on the program, they spoke for fifteen or twenty minutes without notes or manuscript. They had a message and they knew how to deliver it. Through this movement the convention is preparing its future leaders.

The reports, through the annual letters, showed that the convention is in touch with 78,000 women, 26 state conventions, 47 district conventions and 8,000 local societies.

There is always on hand an abundance of literature prepared by the corresponding secretary. The women who work in the local societies have reasons to be grateful for the help they obtain in carrying on their local work.

Three great preachers delivered three great sermons before the convention—Drs. W. H. Moses, P. James Bryant and that prince of preachers, C. T. Walker.

Another feature of the work of the convention was the early morning prayer meeting, lead by state delegations, and attended by a large number of consecrated workers, who realize that prayer is the key to the situation in the work that they are attempting to do for the Master.

The field secretary, Mrs. E. E. Whitfield, gave a report of the work she accomplished since her promotion. This report showed that she had traveled thousands of miles and has brought into the convention new organizations and new workers. The field missionary, Mrs. Ida M. Becks, made a good report.

Tag day for the benefit of the laundry to be built at the National Training School was a success. Over $300 was raised through the efforts of fifteen or twenty women who "tagged the convention."

The National Baptist Convention, of which the auxiliary is a part, did not decide upon the next place of meeting. The executive force and the secretaries will select the next place of meeting, with a view of holding, in connection with the annual meeting, exercises and exhibits, illustrating the achievements of the race during the past fifty years.

The Women's Auxiliary has planned to make 1913 their banner year. The secretary has already announced that the women will celebrate in a most creditable way the fiftieth anniversary of emancipation.

The convention voted to erect a memorial arch at the entrance to the National Training School at Washington, as its fiftieth anniversary expression of appreciation to the great Emancipator for giving to the race the opportunity to enjoy its freedom and to develop in a great country.

B. M. E. ENDS IN TURMOIL.

Row Over Election of Officers, Otherwise Great Success—20,000 Men in Line of Parade.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 14.—(Special).—The sixteenth biennial session of the G. U. O. O. F., America, came to a close Saturday morning at 4:30 o'clock, amid confusion and contention for the supremacy of the order. Never before in the history of the order was there so much bickering, dissatisfaction and lack of harmony during an election. When the name of Grand Master E. H. Morris was presented the delegates from the various saates marched up and down the hall frantically yelling and carrying banners. It was done to stampede the convention, but this failed. It was thought by the majority of delegates that Colonel Morris would not run, and ahat the name of Mr. B. J. Davis would be the only one presented for grand master of the order.

Notwithstanding the fact that Grand Master E. H. Morris stated in his biennial address, "There would never be a time when disunion would come to the lodges and that the letters of fire are blazing over the gates leading to the temple of Friendship, Love and Truth," yet the scenes on that morning made his address seem just the reverse, for when he refused to have the roll of Georgia's delegates called, disunion, turmoil and pandemonium reigned supreme.

After the session had gone on smoothly for five days, the election of the officers was the cause of the convention adjourning "sine die." It came about this way: Morris was nominated and so was Davis. Deputy Grand Master Henry Lincoln Johnson took the gavel. States were called. And when it came to Georgia, Morris took the gavel and refused to let Georgia cast her vote by the chairman of ahe Georgia delegation, or even to hear the name of each delegate called from the Georgia roll. From every observation it was seen that Mr. Davis had the vast majority of votes from his own state and several Southern states were pledged to him and votes elsewhere, but Grand Master Morris refused to hear the roll called, and finally decided that the honor was big enough for him for the next two years, and adjourned the convention "sine die."

The delegates sat in the hall from 10 o'clock in the night unail 4:30 the next morning. They amused themselves by singing, marching and reciting. Some went out for lunch, and others had lunch sent to them. Every now and then some delegate would yell vociferously, "Roll call!"

Again and again conferences were held to harmonize things, but the "old warrior stood pat." With the adjournment the same men will hold office until the meeting the next two years, the place not having been selected.

The most important matter transacted was the retention of the supreme court headquarters ao remain in Philadelphia, and a bureau of endowment for the states in which there are none.

The grand secretary reported 10,750 financial branches, 12,627 dispensations granted by the S. C. M. during the last two years, memorial strength 492,905, total assets $194,008.15. J. C. Johnson, grand treasurer of the order, read his report, which contained an itemized account of all receipts during the years 1911 and 1912, July 15. L. N. Porter, chairman of the grand auditing committee, read his report. Grand Masaer E. H. Morris delivered a biennial address, as well as Hon. Harry S. Cummings, attorney general of the order.

There was the grand parade with 20,000 people in line. This was followed by a drill at Ponce de Leon park, where the Patriarchie of Pittsburgh won the first prize, Indiana second honors and Chicago third. The same night a grand ball was given at the Auditorium, which was attended by 3,000 people. The local committee, headed by Mr. B. J. Davis, was responsible for the preparations made ao entertain the delegates and visitors. All were greatly pleased with the hospitality and courtesy extended them, and claim that the biennial session here was the grandest and most successful in the history of the order.

The Odd Fellows in the past two years, from statistics, show a greater progress than in any period of their history. They have spent more money for widows and orphans, paid out more money for the burial of their members and erected more halls and lodge rooms and have more money in the bank to their credit than ever before. The chief aim has been the teaching of those things that are for the elevation of the race, inculcation of the principuples of Friendship, Love and Truth.

The Grand Household of Ruth was also in session with nearly three thousand delegates presena. Their meeting was interesting and harmonious until the day of election, but affairs were finally settled by electing Mrs. Mary C. Parker, of New York, most grand worthy superior, and Mrs. Mamie M. Halley secretary.

The P. G. M.'s council was also in session, and the secretary reports ahat this organization is in a most prosperous and successful condition.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

(By Joseph V. Abby.)

The funeral of Mr. F. W. Cross, one of the pioneers of this city, was held at Avery A. M. E. church last Sunday, and was one of the largest ever witnessed in this city, the church being taxed to its capacity. The sermon was preached by Rev. C. R. Tucker. Mr. Cross was prominent in Masonic and Pythian circles, being one of the founders of both orders in this state, and one of the wealthiest Negroes in the city. He leaves a wife and two daughters to mourn his death. Much credit should be given Mr. R. D. Guy for the manner in which he handled the funeral....Mr. and Mrs. T. Edwards entertained Tuesday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Matthews at their residence, 9 East Ninth street....Mr. L. R. Thompson, the popular proprietor of the Favorite hotel and cafe, has made some improvements in his new cafe at 7 West Grand avenue....Patterson & Patterson are at present making a decided hit at the Dixie theater in their songs and specialties....The grand lodge of the Free and Accepted Ancient York Rite Masons of the state of Oklahoma was held in this city last week. Quite a large number of delegates from all over the state was present. The session closed with a banquet at Tucker's hall....Douglass high school opened last Monday with an enrollment of 867 students, the largest in the history of the school, under the supervision of our efficient principal, Prof. J. H. A. Brazelton. The school bids fair to be a record breaker this year....Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Bryan, of 924 East Tenth street, entertained in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mathias, who are preparing to take up studies in the East....The Jack Jackson Social Club announces that Mr. Bennie Campbell, the club king, is to take over the management in the near future....Revs. W. H. Jemagin, B. J. F. Wesbrook, Hon. Wm. Harrison, Capp Jefferson and other prominent Baptists attended the National Baptist convention at Houston, Texas, last week....The Denny theater is still holding its own, and the Lancaster Stock Company featured Miss Carrie Overstreet in the rollicking comedy, "Sambo in Chinatown."

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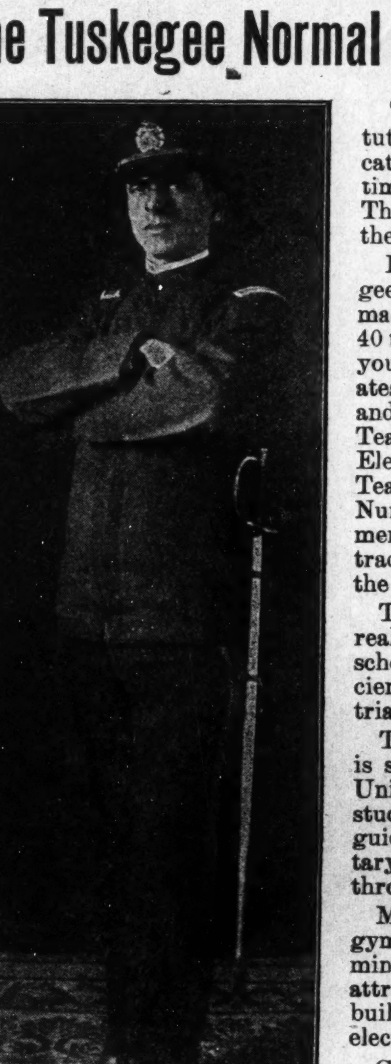

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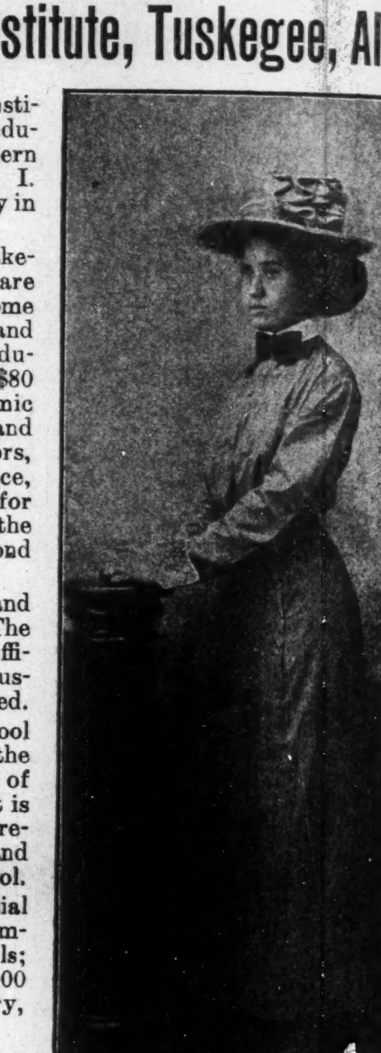

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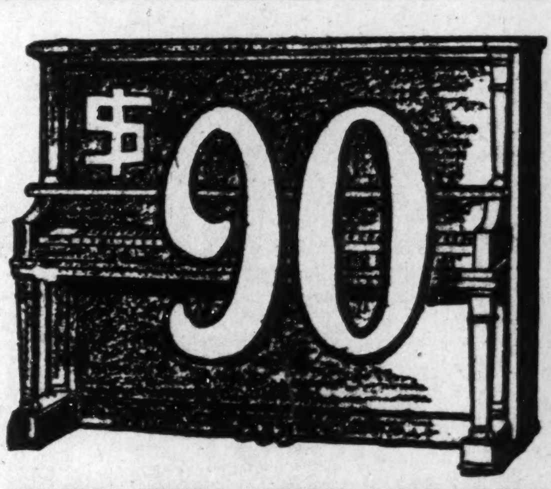

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MASON CITY, IOWA.

Mr. W. Davis is at home again after several weeks' visit in Omaha, Neb.... Mr. James Falkner has returned to his home in Chicago....Mr. Edie Munsey is in the city working for the Milwaukee Railway Company....Mr. B. B. Laws has returned to the Windy City....Mrs. Donley, of Rockford, Ill., is visiting Mrs. John D. Rulor, of this city. Mrs. Rulor will accompany her guest to Marshalltown....Mrs. Mary E. Wright, of Mason City, is visiting in Rochester, N. Y.

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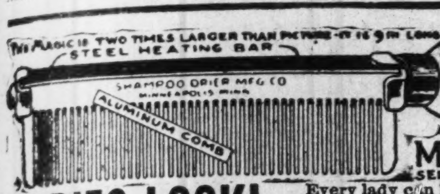
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(By N. C. Hawkins.)

Special to the Freeman.

Sanders Jackson, an employe of the U. S. A. pipe factory, has made a discovery which has aroused much attention among electricians here. It was one evening after a hard day's work that Mr. Jackson went to his room and found that the light was defective. He began at once to figure out a new light. Securing two cigar boxes which he had in his room and other materials, he attached several batteries and soon had the room beautifully illuminated. Since then he has steadily worked on the invention until now his project is becoming the comment of the village....Rev. G. W. Wyatt, D. D., of Cincinnati, preached at Rev. George W. Lewis' church at Delphi on Wednesday evening to a large congregation....Rev. S. D. Sanders, pastor of the First Baptist church, is enjoying a pleasant visit among friends throughout Ohio, Indiana and Pennsylvania. Rev. R. Neal is filling the pulpit during his absence....Of the social and literary functions of the week occurred the reception at the Mission temple Thursday evening, given under the auspices of the Wheatley Literary Society. The meeting was the grandest in the short history of the organization. A large delegation was present. J. W. Gaines, grand treasurer of Halley's Comet lodge, No. 953, responded to a well prepared address, which was very fitting and appropriate for the occasion. His subject was "The Negro an Important Factor, North and South." Responses were made by Mrs. M. E. Payne, Rev. R. Neal, Rev. C. Banks and N. C. Hawkins, newspaper correspondent. During the time of the rendering of the program a committee of ladies and gentlemen was busily engaged in preparing a suitable feast to be enjoyed by all present.

SHELBYVILLE (KY.) NEWS.

(By Miss Florence Hall.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. William Samuels left for Chicago....Mrs. Lucy Perkins, Miss Fannie Redden and Master J. T. Redden spent a day in Christianburg......Miss Evelina Ford has returned from Louisville....Mrs. Lottie Bryant and son, of Frankfort, Mrs. H. Russell, of Bloomfield, Miss Geneva Riley, of Louisville, Mrs. William Brown and your correspondent spent Sunday in Harrisonville....Mrs. Givens, of Louisville, spent a week with Mrs. M. B. Whittiker....Miss Harriett Brown, of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Willie Brown...... Mrs. Wm. Samuel, Jr., and Mrs. Lizzie Riggs gave a grand reception at the residence of Mrs. Samuels in honor of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Samuels, of Chicago. There were many in attendance....Miss Jackson, of Anchorage, Mrs. M. Crawfort, of Lexington, and her daughter, Mrs. James, of Indianapolis, were the guests of the city.... Mr. B. Ditto, of Indianapolis, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Chas. Oglesby....Miss E. White, of Cropers, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lucy Perkins......Miss M. F. Beard has returned from Danville.... Mrs. T. Stone, of Louisville, was a guest of the city.

A. M. E. CONFERENCE

Goes On Record as Not Indorsing Roosevelt.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

KOKOMO, Ind. — The seventy-fourth conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church of Indiana closed with the reading of the assignment of pastors by Bishop Lee. Shortly before the assignments were read the following resolution was introduced and unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, It was announced through the columns of the daily press, last Thursday, that the A. M. E. conference, sitting in Kokomo, had indorsed the candidacy of Col. Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency, and

"Whereas, The report on the state of the country stated that the Republican party had outlived its usefulness, and

"Whereas, We deem it unwise to denounce or indorse any political party, be it

"Resolved, That we, the members of the Indiana conference, sitting in its seventy-fourth session, disclaim all responsibility for the above mentioned report."

SPARKS FRESH FROM THE FALLS CITY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sepa. 19.—(Special).—Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, formerly of this city but now of Washington, D. C., arrived in the city Wednesday of this week from Houston, Texas, where she has been attending the National Baptist Convention and Woman's Baptist Convenaion, auxiliary to the national body. Miss Burroughs reports a very successful meeting. She is greatly interested in the National Training School at Washington, D. C., of which she is founder. She expects ao leave the first of the week for Washington.

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Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks to the many friends for their kindness shown in the death of our daughter, Mary Elizabeth Cary, who died at Indianapolis, Ind., September 1. We wish, also, to thank the friends of Indianapolis for the many beauaiful floral designs sent for the funeral services. From the family.

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Mr. Cary B. Lewis, formerly of this city but now of Chicago, arrived in the city from Atlanta, Ga., Monday, where he reported the B. M. C. of the G. U. O. O. F. He is visiting his parents, who quietly celebrated their forty-second marriage anniversary ahe first of the week. After calling upon "Marse" Henry Watterson, he will return to Chicago by way of Indianapolis, and will be with his friend, Mr. Elwood C. Knox, managing editor of the Freeman. On his way from the South he stopped at Henderson, Ky., and was the guest for a day and night of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cabell, who are in the grocery business in thaa city.

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Mr. Lee Brown, 1006 West Chestnut street, will open a stenographic school at an early date. Mr. Brown will be assisted by an expert who is coming from the East. Persons who wish to take the course are urged ao matriculate at once.

MUSKOGEE (OKLA.) NEWS.

(By John W. Williams.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We take pleasure in giving information concerning the number of Negro business enterprises conducted in our little city. We can boast of a population of 1,000 Negroes, a great many of whom are very wealthy. In a previous issue we made known the purpose of the National Negro Business Men's League of America, which is to be held here, and considerable enthusiasm is manifested among the thinking colored people throughout the West. The success of this organization coming to our city is due to Mr. Tolly J. Elliott, proprietor of Ellott Bros.' dry goods store. (Mr. Ellott's store has a capital stock of $30,000). All preparations are being made to give this great body a royal reception....Among some of the excellent business institutions being conducted by our race in Muskogee is the Peoples Bank and Trust Company with a capital stock of $25,000, fully paid. This progressive Negro bank pays 4 per cent. interest on all time deposits, and guaranteed by the state banking laws....We find the Freeman in great demand in this section of the country....The Pastime theater is still the center of attraction with the lovers of things theatrical....Mr. W. Woods, the famous trap drummer, has no equal when it comes to his profession.... Mr. Fred Allen, the young star comedian, is winning the highest praise in his line of work....The company at the Pastime theater has at present eight star performers and is showing to crowded houses nightly....Speaking of the progressive Negroes of Muskogee, we take pleasure in noting the rapid progress of Hon. G. W. P. Brown and R. Emmet Stewart, who hail from Fort Wayne, Ind. These gentlemen came to Muskogee more than twelve years ago, and since that time have rapidly won the confidence of the people, and are well liked in this city.... The new Brown building which has been occupied by colored tenants for the past four years, was leased last week by a white man to be used for white tenants. Only four years ago this building was erected by Dr. E. P. Brown, of Greenville, Miss., and has been occupied by a number of colored business men of all professions. The recent change came as a great surprise to the Negroes of Muskogee. The building is located in the very heart of the city and is said to be worth $100,000. The only Negro business to remain will be the Ellott Bros. dry goods and department store and the J. W. Adams dry goods and shoe department. ....Prof. Sid Douglass Russell, president of the State Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Taft, Okla., was among the visitors in Muskogee this week. Mr. Russell is a man of extraordinary intelligence, and is a strong supporter of the Democrat party. His success in that party is the cause of his appointment to this high position.... Hon. H. A. Clark, the veteran newspaper man and acting manager of the Wagnor American, should be congratulated for his remarkable success with this great paper, which had its beginning in Oklahoma not more than two years ago, and was founded by Hon. C. T. Humes, the veteran newspaper man, and Hon. L. A. Bell, of Wagnor. The paper enjoys a paid circulation of more than two thousand.

DULUTH, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Duluth Social Club gave their first dance of the season at the K. of P. Hall, 118 West Superior street, Monday, September 16. Golden glow and sunflowers were the flowers used in carrying out the decorations....Miss Emma Smith, whose wedding to Walter J. Posey will take place the last week in September, was the guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower, Wednesday afternoon, given by Mrs. Eugene Watts, of 915 East Sixth street. The fifteen guests were entertained informally during the afternoon. The decorations were red and white, garden flowers being used. The guests at this affair were: Mrs. R. B. Newsome, Mrs. H. S. Merry, Mrs. Geo. Carr, Mrs. James Black, Mrs. Chas. Black, Mrs. Geo. Palmer, Mrs. M. Brown, Mrs. Geo. Adams, Mrs. H. E. Richardson, Mrs. A. S. Mason, Mrs. J. Mathews, Mrs. L. Bryant, Mrs. E. Scott, Mrs. James Calhoun, Mrs. W. F. Maupins. ...Miss Smith and Mr. Posey were guests of honor at a can shower Friday evening, given by Mrs. W. F. Maupins, 726 Fifth avenue, East. Autumn leaves made a pretty decoration in red and white, and the guests were entertained with games, Miss Marguerette Williams winning the prize. The guests at this affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Watts, Mr. and Mrs. George Carr, Mrs. George Adams, Messrs. Earl Smith, Waltetr Posey, Inman Mobley, Joe Taylor, Thomas Alexander, Eugene Waters, Eugene McCoy, Risco Miller, Harold Stokes, Raymond Jackson, E. Williams, Misses Emma Smith, Jessie Miller, Marguerette Williams, Ethel Black, Margurette Black, Ferol Vincent, Helen Scott, Elizabeth Johnson....Mrs. H. J. Shelton, of 609 East Sixth street, entertained Thursday afternoon at a luncheon in honor of Miss Emma Smith. A color scheme of red and white was followed with sweet peas and red hearts. The guests at the affair were: Miss Emma Smith, Miss E. Johnson, Miss Helen Scott, Miss Carrie Thomas, Mrs. Steve Coles, Mrs. H. S. Merry, Mrs. R. B. Newsome, Mrs. James Black, Mrs. W. B. Richardson, Mrs. Joe Smith, Mrs. Clarence Bena, of Toledo, O., Mrs. Samuel McNeil, Mrs. Scott.

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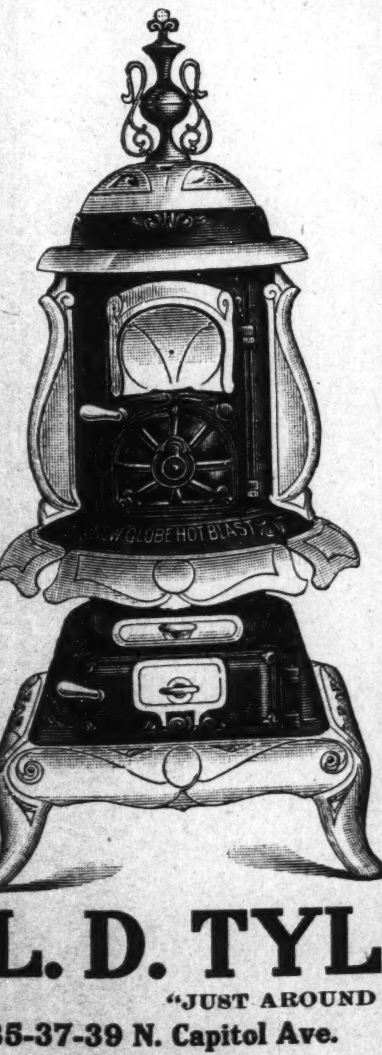

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Haul down that flag, bishop.

Maybe the Bull Moosers began too soon. They seem to be getting tired.

Quotation for the autumn weather: Firm; steady; possibly a slight downward tendency.

As it concerns our baseball club, some distinguishment at being a tail-ender; not very enviable, however.

The Negroes of Washington, D. C., have celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation in a big way. What will they do in 1913, the time set for the national demonstration?

Not very much in the Colonel writing a letter that intimated he would be pleased to see his old friend elevated in the church. Quite the natural thing to wish. But why run from it? Verily, the guilty flee when no man pursueth.

Now, Mr. Black Voter, you, with 600,000 ballots in your hand, you with the lectoral vote of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and New York in your pocket, what are you going to do about it?—The Cricis.

Forget it. Balance of power is a dauble-edged sword.

The Indianapolis contingent of the Bull Moosers has been hit hard. The candidate for Congress has seen fit to resign his candidacy. He urged pressure of business, old age, and so forth. But he did not discover these hindrances until the old-line Republicans began to pull his record on him.

And the Colonel would have taken every one of the votes of that great number of contesting delegations at Chicago. That he didn't get them was not his fault. And yet he talks of stealing. Where does his righteousness come in? Covet not thy neighbor's property, is the moral.

When crusades are on they don't have to label them as Mr. Roosevelt does. The people know them when they are seen. Mayor Shank made a crusade against high prices and made potatoes famous. He did not have to name his movement. Perhaps he never thought of it as the high-sounding thing "crusade." Mr. Roosevelt is altogether too spectacular for the job of President.

Of course, Bishop Lenox's proposed flag is not worthy of a second thought. But as it is very often, the very things that are no account and foolish make headway, and this foolishness is added up right along with the other racial items. The minus sign will precede such items, the effect being, as all know, to reduce the sum total. Keep out the items that must be preceded by the minus sign.

Cary B. Lewis, the well-known newspaper correspondent, was in the city this week, after a trip to Atlanta, Ga., where he was sent as a special writer to the B. M. C., which met in that city recently. Mr. Lewis is justly proud of the selection. He proved the confidence imposed in him as a correspondent, reporting the doings of the body faithfully and completely. Mr. Lewis was formerly of Louisville, but for several years has been engaged in newspaper work in Chicago, his present home. He is of recognized ability, enjoying a national reputation.

The chief Bull Mooser at Little Rock, Ark., this week referred to his party as a religious movement. He said he felt that he was in a crusade. A crusade for what? Don Quixote thought he was in a crusade also. But peace and quiet reigned in his country just as it is with us. The new party hasn't a single helpful principle to advance. If it stood for the complete enfranchisement of the Negroes it would have a cause for existence. The Negro, bound and gagged civilly and politically, is the monster wrong of the age, and Roosevelt, the would-be Leviathan of the day, hasn't the nerve to tackle it. John Brown was a near-crusader. He is alone in his class.

A Japanese publication, smarting under the restrictions of America to that people, says:

"We have no claims to present to America except free access to the labor market, our right to have a free hand in the economic development of the country, that they lay aside their racial prejudices, that they discard the view that America belongs to themselves alone. Let them recognize that it is the common property and for the common convenience of the entire human race. We only put forth the claim that heaven has decreed that every human being under heaven and every dweller on the earth is entitled to a part of the immense territory on the American continent."

That's goin' some.

Race publications of Arkansas insist that the grandfather clause of the constitution of that State has been killed. The Vanguard recently had as follows:

"A large number of the Negro leaders are taking the credit for the defeat of the grandfather clause to themselves; but, gentlemen, it was the Lord."

Well, if it were the Lord's work in a different sense to the authorship of other work, we may expect to see a clean sweep in such affairs. If the precedent is established as the Vanguard thinks, it is not likely that we will have the one isolated case. Perhaps we had better feel these things to be permissible by the higher source quoted, rather than by direct ordering.

"EXCHANGE VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS"

Is the title of a speech made by United States Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, August 26, 1912. This speech has been issued in document form by the American Protective Tariff League, as document No. 99. Send postal card request for free copy to W. F. Wakeman, secretary, 339 Broadway, New York.

COLORED WAITERS IN FAVOR.

The Parker House, of Boston, Mass., has been turned over to colored waiters. The house is first class, employing above a hundred waiters. The manager says he has had his fill of unions. The success of the colored boys is considered quite a victory.

We are not among those who feel that the colored boys should have all of the hotel work, even if it is merely waiting table. They should have a good share of it, however, since they don't get a square industrial deal.

The unions have been inclined to "hog" the business. The slogan in the East was, "A hotel with Negro waiters is a second-class hotel." It was a rather fetching foreword, and perhaps it helped to secure the union in its advantage. We have no fling at unions; they have their places; they are useful to men of small wages, but when their efforts are directed at shutting out a class of people, those shut out cannot entertain the best feeling for them. They will be consistent when they conclude that "there is enough glory for us all," as Captain Cook would say.

THE REFERENDUM AND THE RECALL AGAIN.

The referendum and recall ideas would have answered very well in the days of such tyrants as Nero, as a matter of thwarting the designs of despots. Representative government is the outgrowth of the conditions of those days and similar conditions until the ideal in government became a realization—the individual governing himself. These days in all things may not be the best. From what is taking place daily by improvements in many directions it may mean that we are just entering the good things reserved up in the centuries for the well-being and earthly glory of mankind.

Government, however, is not susceptible to great changes, as Mr. Roosevelt would instill in his followers. We can only be governed by some one wholly or by a few, or by ourselves wholly, or by ourselves and others jointly. The choice of government is indeed limited. And the political economist or the most learned statesman may write volumes in elaboration of government, but they will still be speaking to the very few kinds of government possible. This goes to say that the evolution leading up to the automobile or to those great printing presses, with their wilderness of machinery, will not apply to government. The thoughtless think of government as they think of machinery. They think that it can go on and on forever, making additions by way of improvement. They speak of old-fashioned ideas and new-fashioned ideas as flippantly as if they were speaking of women's wearing apparel.

Representative government is perfect government, and is not susceptible to any improvement—just as truth will not be bettered. We cannot accept substitutes for the parents in the family as the head of the family at its best. Philosophers, the wise men of all time, have dreamed of democracies and republics, and now and then they were realized. They lapsed now and then, not because the truth that man would govern himself was in "error," but because the people were traded on; they became heedless and thoughtless, and as Patrick Henry put it, little by little the liberties of the people were stolen from them. We have a reflex of that condition to-day, when under one pretext or another designing men are making effort to play the people into political ambush.

And if they are not careful they will lose their present estate of self-government and thus revert to one of the other, where despotism is a phase, if not the whole thing—depending on the caprice of an individual or individuals, rather than on the deliberate choice of themselves.

The referendum and the recall, if not the initiative, are no less than expressions of representative government in reversion. It is as if we had made the rounds of the different modes, and in our craze for change are willing to hazard our independence at finding something new. "There is nothing new under the sun," strikes off the situation aptly enough. In the effort to find the new we are confronted with the old. Knock the masks away, and there it is. The referendum is a repudiation of ourselves, and which will beget distrust and chaos in the end if permitted as thought out. It is a pretty theory to talk of the people uncreating what they create. It is all right in the potentiality. The power is theirs. But at that they are not to be wanton in destruction, lest they destroy themselves. The legislators are not to be thought apart from the people. They are the people's further selves, as are the other officials that are chosen to act for the people. Their selection is merely a matter of convenience, since the people cannot meet together to discuss and pass on questions for the public good. The individual is in evidence as much as it is possible for him to be so, and thus answering the best form of government—the nearest approach to individual government.

Referendum and recall is of the theory that legislators and officials act independently of the people, making and handing down laws to them, rather than carrying out their wishes. We have no such condition. And when it is urged that we have, it is merely an assumption, or the expression of a theory of possibility. The legislators and officers could forget the purpose of their selection. But would it be conducive to their political longevity? Not much. They are also the people, and are no more interested in making hard conditions than the people are to have them. The tendency of the Bull Moose crowd is to divorce the people and the officials, notwithstanding they are immediately depending on them. A laborer will generally stand with his employer in most things, where politics is not involved, since he depends on his employer for existence. He may not be en rapport with the employer, but he does not oppose him or antagonize him. Some such relation exists between legislators and officials and the people.

The referendum and the recall are weapons of destruction. Perhaps nothing in history has worn such a menacing front. They were not revived out of necessity, but as engines of offense to beat a way into the affections of the people and finally into office by disgruntled men.

The dear people, happily, are becoming to see the intent. They know that there are no tyrants among us. If there were, they would be expelled by the force of public opinion, which brooks no infringement on the American patent of rights.

AT KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

Prof. Collins Will Leave the State Normal—Bull Moose Party Organganized—The Berlin Whist Club—Taylor's Theaters—Prof. Mayo Again—A Man to Head the Normal Institute.

(By Hardin Tolbert, at People's Pharmacy. Both Phones 666. Box 233.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

FRANKFORT, Ky.—No resignation of any member of the faculty of the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute could cause more regret than that of Prof. S. F. Collins, professor of natural science. He leaves October 1 to join the faculty of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark., one of the leading colleges for Negroes. Prof. Collins is a bachelor of arts of the celebrated Livingston College, and he has done considerable post-graduate work in Ohio and one of the leading Eastern universities. He is also a commercial student of much ability, and is well prepared as a competent instructor in many ways. While it seems a little difficult for the institution to get a man in the natural science department, it is more so owing to the great ability of the man just leaving the position, for the faculty desires to secure a man as near as possible to the ability of Prof. Collins, so that his great work may be continued. This department of the institute is surpassed by very few in this country, and the students, faculty and community in general feel the loss of such a man as Prof. Collins, who has developed to a large extent the efficiency of the natural science department of the school. In the departure of Prof. Collins Kentucky loses one of its brightest school instructors; but what is our loss is a great gain for Little Rock.

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The Bull Moose organization was put into existence in this city recently, and a great deal of interest seems to be manifested, as the enthusiasm is growing all the time among the Roosevelt admirers. A strong ecort is being made by the Bull Moosers to make this organization one of the most united in the state, with a view of advancing the political standard. Mr. B. T. Harvey was elected president, and Mr. Willis Garner secretary.

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The Berlin Whist Club made its first appearance for the autumn sessions in a special dance for the club and its guests at Odd Fellows' hall. A large crowd was in attendance. Many of the latest dancing features were brought to the front. Mr. W. F. Simpson, a very popular young man, was floor manager of the occasion. Redman's orchestra rendered the music, and a jolly good time was enjoyed by all present.

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The hearts of the people are gladdened to see the progress of the business men of the race, as compared with the other classes of business men. We are proud to see our Frankfort business men coming to the front ranks. Taylor's theater, located in the fine Odd Fellows' building, was the scene of a large gathering of our people, on which occasion the performances for the first week were given by home talent. The work done by these people shows how the race is progressing in a theatrical sense, as well as in a business way. The theater is one of the real objects of race progressiveness among our busines senterprises. The people should feel proud of the ecorts of the performers and the manager of the theater, as the theatrical profession is a hard one to fill, and the work done at this theater is undoubtedly encouraging to the race. This occasion should be an inspiriation to our people.

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Mr. George W. Martin, one of the most prosperous young business men of the city, was united in marriage to Miss Pauline Woolfork, a popular young lady and a school teacher, at the residence of Rev. E. J. Jackson on Murray street. This couple has a very bright future. A cordial good wish is extended these young people by our citizens.

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Prof. Mayo and daughter, Miss Selena, are principal and instructor of science in the Clinton Street high school. Miss Mayo receives a salary next to her father's, which is $100 per month. The dean of the is elevating only himself and daughter. A few years ago some of the teachers were only receiving $15 per month. Some of the teachers have as high as sixty pupils in their classes, and are really doing the work, and scarcely making a living, while the professor is loafing around the depot and other places. This school is located near a railroad switch. If somebody didn't tell a stranger it was a school he would think it was an old junk house in a switch yard. There is no plaster on the walls, and dirt and ashes are scattered all over the yard. It is a regular dump place for the city, and is very unsanitary. Prof. Mayo has never complained to the trustees of this condition, or suggested that our people were worthy of a better school building for the education of the younger members of the race. If there isn't enough children in that school to merit a better building, there is certainly enough walking the streets. Has he ever asked the trustees for a better school? Has he ever tried to raise the teachers' salaries? Why is it de does not open his doors as other men of equal rank to the people? Why is it wrong for two members of other families to be instructors in the same school, while he and his daughter teach in the same school? Why is it that he had a young lady by the name of Farries to come all the way from California to be a teacher in the school and then turn her out and put his daughter in her place? Why it is when his daughter takes a few weeks' instruction in a summer school he has the board of trustees to raise her salary? Why is it that he tries to play both ends in Democratic politics, when in the last city election the Democrats split and there was a horshoe and a Democrat ticket each in the field? The professor registered as an independent, and never went to the polls to vote for his white Democrat friends. If he deceives the white people who elevated him to his position by playing both ends, what is he going to do with the members of his own race? When a young man in Louisville, who is secretary of a certain lodge, got his books a little mixed up, Prof. Mayo ridiculed his character, and was elected to this job of straightening the books out. He got another man to help him. He sent a bill to the lodge for this man and himself and Prof. Mayo kept all the money. When Prof. Mayo is asked to a reception, where there is free "doings," he is as sure to come as the sun rises in the east, if he is not in. He is just as sure not to give a reception at his own home as the sun rises in the east. We will give Prof. Mayo as much space as he desires if he is imbued with enough principle to tell the public of his service to the people for thirty years. He has been a traitor to the white and colored people, but the day has come when the people want a statement from Prof. Mayo as to what he has done for his own people outside of drawing a salary. There is no excuse for his silence, as there is plenty of space for him to explain. Your correspondent has no malice toward Prof. Mayo, but is simply stating the truth concerning him. Our next issue will be extended to Prof. Mapo to vindicate himself before the public.

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Mr. R. H. Rutherford, of Washington, D. C., vice-president of the National Benefit Association, is in the city the guest of Mme. Lizzie Allen.

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The Capital Social Club has made a progressive step to raise a higher standard among the boys and girls. The club is now arranging a reading room, where many topics of the day, of interest to the community at large, will be discussed. Many of the prominent citizens are willing to back their ideas up in this good work

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Mr. Cdaule Brown is making good as a barber in Portsmouth, Ohio.

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Colonel W. W. Jackson delivered a fine speech in Dayton, Ohio, recently.

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Mr. H. C. Robinson, a retired soldier of the United States army, is now making his home in Lexington.

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Dr. James McFatridge, superintendent of the Atlanta Mutual Insurance Association, is having remarkable success in Lexington. His office is consolidated with Lawyer Chili in Ballard's drug store.

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Mrs. Marie Johnson entertained at a luncheon at her residence in Bell Point the following ladies: Miss S. Whitaker, of Indianapolis; Mrs. G. Patterson, of Georgetown; Mrs. Joe Troy, of Lexington, and Mrs. James Troy, of this city. A pleasant evening was enjoyed.

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Rev. J. J. Greene, rector of the Christian church of Winchester, was a guest of the city this week and visited the Normal Institute.

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Mr. S. E. Hoard, of Waldon, is the guest of the city.

Miss Mary L. Settles, a popular young lady of the city, was married to Mr. Wayman Garnett, of Versailles.

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The long task is at an end as to who wil lhead the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute, and the information will be given to the readers in our next issue.

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Miss Jhonnie Ward gave a birthday party which was largely attended by a number of sweet little girls and boys. The house was nicely decorated, and a pleasant time was enjoyed by the young folks.

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Miss Annie F. Crosby, of Versailles, is the guest of Miss Ward.

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Miss L. Brown was called home on account of the illness of her mother.

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Prof. E. Eldridge, of Newcastle, is a guest of the city.

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Miss Mary Diver has returned from a trip to Cincinnati.

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Dr. Wm. M. aJckson, of Lexington, is a guest of the city.

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Mrs. Gabe B. Ellen, of Louisville, is visiting in the city.

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Mrs. Hugh Lee and Mrs. Lucy M. Young spent a few days in Lexington.

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Mrs. J. M. Bradley and son, of Chicago, left the city after a few weeks' visit with Mrs. Bradley's mother, Mrs. Martha M. Washington.

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Mr. Thomas Alcone, a respectable citizen of our city, died at his residence on Mero street. Mr. Alcone was a member of the First Baptist church and the K. of P. lodge. He was well known in this city by both white and colored people. He leaves a wife and son and a host of friends to mourn his death.

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Mr. Mike Howard, the father of Miss Rosa Howard, a graduate of the Normal Institute, met his death while fishing in a pond near here last week. Mr. Howard was highly respected and had a host of friends.

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Mrs. Charles W. Harris and Mrs. Harry Combs, of Maysville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Williams at their residence on Normal Heights. Mrs. Harris is the mother-in-law of M r.Williams.

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Miss Dora Dotson has been very ill with the chills at her residence on Clinton street.

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Miss Florence Brown is recovering from a sick spell at her home in Longlane avenue, this city.

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Miss Sallie and George E. Taylor arrived home after a pleasant visit in Lexington for a week.

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Mrs. Crutcher Maxie, Mrs. Marie Johnson and Mrs. James Troy, with Miss Sarah Whitaker, of Indianapolis, were the guests of Mrs. oJe Troy in Lexington.

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Mr. J. D. Ward is visiting his sister, Miss Louise Ward.

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Miss Maggie Crosby, of Indianapolis, is visiting in Versailles.

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Mrs. Annie Booker, of Shelbyville, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. Wells, returned home.

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Mrs. Ellen Blackburn, a resident of Normal Heights, met with a painful accident this week while canning pickles. The glass jar bursted, cutting her hands so badly that she is unable to use them.

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Prof. C. L. Timberlake made of the best speeches of his life at Flemingburg at the fair grounds. He is employed in the office of the superintendent of public instruction in this city.

POLITICS BOILING IN THE WINDY CITY—GEORGE L. KNOX HERE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 26.—Never before in the history of Chicago has politics waxed so warm. The Taftites and the Bull Moosers are working day and night to create enthusiasm. Phil Brown, who is at the head of the Taft newspaper bureau, is sending out splendidly written matter in the interest of the grand old party, while young A. N. Fields is preparing to find a hearing in the Roosevelt papers. Some very interesting reading may be seen hereafter, with odds in favor of "Phil" cleaning up with the Moosers.

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Quite a number of colored students have matriculated at the Chicago University, among them being Misses Bertha Moseley and Geraldine Hodges.

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The Indianapolis Freeman was read by the Rev. J. E. Fisher, pastor of Olivet Baptist Church, before 2,000 people. Dr. Fishar is a Taft man, and The Freeman was read and urged by the pastor to be read by each member of his church.

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Editor George L. Knox was in the city this week on business. Mr. Knox stopped with his sister, but the major portion of his time was spent at the Taft headquarters, with Phil H. Brown and other supporters of the grand old party.

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Mr. Fitts, president of the Bethel Literary Club of Bethel A. M. E. Church, states to the representative of The Freeman that during the next month and the winter season he expects to have on each Sunday such an array of talent as will attract larger crowds than ever. It will be remembered that it was through Mr. Fitts that the support of Dr. Louie Usselman was secured, who has given handsome prizes to the winners of the annual contests, which are held at the Bethel Literary Club.

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Society people are beginning to plan the usual fall parties and receptions. Several visitors are in the city from Washington, D. C., and are being highly entertained.

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Misses Lula Coates and Florence Smiley are in the city of Indianapolis, and are the guests of Mrs. Elwood C. Knox, of The Freeman. Miss Coates and the Chanticleer Four were to have played at the Crown Theater, but owing to some disagreement as to the salary Miss Coates refused to work, and it was learned here last night that the company went to St. Louis, Mo., for a week's run. It is said that Misses Coates and Smiley have some of the prettiest and swellest costumes seen in vaudeville. They are expected to return to Chicago soon and go on big time.

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Major R. R. Jackson, who is a candidate for the State Legislature, will soon open his campaign and began an active canvass. The Major seems to be the most popular man in Chicago who is running for an office.

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Mr. Cary B. Lewis will arrive in the city Saturday from Indianapolis, Ind., where he was the guest of Mr. Elwood C. Knox. Mr. Lewis has been to Atlanta, Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, Henderson, Indianapolis and other points in Indiana.

NEWS FROM CUTHBERT, GA.

Cuthbert seems to be getting its share of rainy weather, and the farmers are beginning to complain about not being able to gather their crops. The sons and daughters of Ham that have been going out to help the farmers harvest the crops were very much disappointed to find the weather conditions in this territory unchanged....tI is a treat to have The Freeman come into this section of the country, and every one seemed to be pleased with the idea of its circulation, and want to see the Cuthbert news shown in its columns....Ruby Court, No. 133, of Cuthbert, has had a number of deaths in the past few months. They were as fololws: Mrs. Cuzzia Granger, died in June, and she was a faithful member; Mrs. Joe Clark, died in May, was one of the head workers in the church; Mrs. Mattie Jenkins, died in August, and she was a faithful member of the choir. The court mourns their deaths and hopes that there will be less sickness in the future....Mrs. Hattie Roberson, who has been on the sick list for two months, it is thought will be able to be up and about soon.... The Howard Normal School opened with a large attendance, September 2, and Prof. Hinderson is very much pleased with the prospects for the coming season....At Paines Chapel, Sunday, the topic for discussion was "The Feeding of the Five Thousand," which was handled and explained very skillfully, so that the very least among them could understand....Mr. S. Manning has been called to Ft. Gaines, Ga., on business for the Union Mutual Association, of which he is agent....Mrs. Katie McCarthy, who is spending a few weeks with her father, Mr. Charles Prather, of this city, will return to her home in Americus, Ga., soon....Mr. Chas. Odoms is very much pleased with the outlook for his crop this season. He is a well-to-do farmer in this territory....Mrs. Mary Jane Manning has been sick for the past week, but is reported to be improving the last few days.....Elder Roseburrough's wife has been complaining of her health for the past week, but is up and attending to her duties now....Mr. Jim McNeal and Mr. S. D. Ethridge, Jr., left for Atlanta Sunday. Mr. McNeal went to accept a position with the Southern Railroad there....Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Weaver left last week on their honeymoon, to spend a few weeks in Birmingham, Ala. They have been married for some time, but this is the first opportunity they have had to take the trip....Miss Annie B. Crews spent Sunday in Coleman, Ga., with friends.... Mr. Oscar Pervis had an accident while working on one of the Central of Georgia engines. He was helping to reverse the engine, got his foot caught and it was badly mashed...I wish to announce that The Freeman can be obtained from Isaiah Russell and John Hamilton, the latter being the agent. Any news or advertisements can be sent to Mr. John Hamilton not later than Tuesday night of each week.

MUNCIE, IND.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson, of Springfield, are visiting their parents on East Main street....Rev. C. W. McColl, the field secretary of the Baptist State Association, preached at Calvary Baptist church Sunday morning....Mrs. Florence Wilson has returned home from Richmond....Mrs. Gurnell has returned to her home after a pleasant visit at Springfield. ....Mr. and Mrs. Earl Abbot, of Ogden, Utah, have returned home after a pleasant visit....Miss Catherine Edwards has returned home after a pleasant visit at Indianapolis and Shelbyville....Mrs. H. Osborn, of Chicago, spent a few days last week visiting her cousin, Mrs. oJhn Vena, and family....Rev. B. F. Baker, formerly of New Albany, has been assigned to Bethel A. M. E. church....Mrs. Ola Vena, of Whitely, is very ill....Miss Hazel Cotman entered Normal Monday....Mr. F. Abbott, of Toledo, and Mr. Lewis Abbott, of Fort Wayne, have returned home after spending a few days with their sister.

SHERMAN (TEX.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. A. N. Prince has purchased a handsome five-passenger automobile, known as the Maxwell special. Mr. John Lewis is his chauffeur....Mrs. John W. McKinney, the queenly and intelligent wife of Rev. McKinney, grand master of the Masons of Texas and general missionary secretary of the C. M. E. church, and Mr. Elmer Williams, one of the leading tonsorial artists in Texas, are in attendance at the B. M. C. in Atlanta, Ga....Prof. J. C. Phillips, A. B., of Dallas, one of the leading elocutionists of the race, and also a dramatist, was ahe guest of the reporter, P. W. Carpenter, 509 West Lamar street, this week.

MONTGOMERY, ALA.

Mr. Allen Hinson, accompanied by his wife and father, has returned home after a three weeks' visit through the principal districts of North Carolina. They returned by way of Richmond, Va., stopping two days at that point. Allen is one of Montgomery's most efficient bartenders. The bartenders of this city gave Allen a fine spread, and wine flowed like water. Willie Page, better known as Papa Paige, of the Two Daves' saloon, was made toastmaster. Paige put on some lively stunts. Happy Jim Turner, the Freeman's agent, and W. H. Russell, one of our best tailors, were numbered among the guests. The music was furnished by Pete Vaughn's band of this city....The State Normal school opened Monday, September 16, with five hundred in attendance....Miss Mabel Lowe has been ill at her home, 115 Mill street, for the last week....The Mt. Zion church gave a delightful moonlight picnic on the lawn at the residence of Miss Phiefer. It was much enjoyed....After spending several weeks during the summer touring the North, Miss Irene Ballard, of 330 South Hall street, returned home and has taken up her regular work with the senior class of the State Normal school......Albert Washington sends regards to friends in and out of the profession. Washington will be seen with Evans. Write me, James, Bryant and Butler. Hello, Lew Kenner.

NOTES FROM PROF. EPH. WILLIAMS' FAMOUS TROUBADOURS.

Our first venture in Mississippi has been successful beyond all sanguine expectations. Our show has been a revelation. Our seating capacity is entirely too small. Our large canvass theater seating 1,000 is nightly overcrowded and at Jackson, Greenville and several other stands we had to trun hundreds away. Our band, under the leadership of Walter H. Childs, is a feature of our noonday parade. Our orchestra, under Prof. Fred Kewley, and which numbers eight pieces, is hard to beat. L. Don Bradford has just finished an entirely new set of scenery. W. A. Baynard and Wm. H. Mayfield, in the straight and comedy roles, respectively, are cleaning up. "Silas Green," our trademark, is still our principal play. Miss Jennie Hale, leading lady and mezzo soprano, is still the talk of our audiences. Her pleasing personality and commanding stage presence never fail to captivate. "Baby Josephine" is the one bright star. "Slim" Austin, eccentric buck dancer, sometimes stops the show. Flo Russell is still right up to the minute, never failing to please. Bessie Edgington, sensational dancer, is closing the olio. The old reliable Goff Kennedy is back on the job. Friends, write as per route this issue. More anon.

Copeland and Peyton at the Pantages theater, Tacoma, Wash.

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ROUTE.

PROF. P. G. LOWERY'S CO.—With Hagenbeck-Wallace Shows.—Murphysboro, Ill., Sept. 30; Centralia, Oct. 1; Virden, 2; Carrollton, 3; Jacksonville, 4; Beardstown, 5.

WM. McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS—Atlanta, Neb., Sept. 30; Orleans, Oct. 1-2; Naponee, 3; Republican City, 4; Alma, 5.

PROF. ROY POPE'S CO.—With Ringling Bros.' Shows—Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 30; New Albany, Miss., Oct. 1; Birmingham, Ala., 2; Gadsden, 3; Chattanooga, Tenn., 4; Knoxville, 5.

PROF. EPH. WILLIAMS' FAMOUS TROUBADOURS. — Vicksburg, Miss., Sept. 30.

PROF. H. L. RAWLES' CO.—With 101 Ranch. — Gainesville, Tex., Sept. 30; Cleburne, Oct. 1; Weatherford, 2; Bonham, 3; Clarksville, 4; Paris, 5.

PROF. BISMARK FERRIS' CO.—With Two Bills' Show—Houston, Texas, Sept. 30; Beaumont, Oct. 1; Crowley, La., 2; Opelousas, 3; Baton Rouge, 4; New Orleans, 5-6.

SUNNY, DIXIE MINSTRELS, Dana Thompson, Mgr., Garvin, Okla., Sept. 30; Villiant, Oct. 1; Hugo, 2.

ALABAMALAND CO., W. A. Thomas, Mgr.—Superior, Neb. Oct. 2 to 6.

LEWIS AND WILSONS' MUSICAL COMEDY AND MINSTREL CO.—Zumbrota, Minn., Sept. 30; Goodhul, Oct. 1; Cannon Falls, 2; Kenyon, 3; Hayfield, 4; Riceville, Ia., 5.

FOUR BRASS MEN—Rowland Theater, Wilkinsburg, Pa., Sept. 30, Oct. 1-2; Crystal Theater, Braddock, Pa., 3-4-5.

PROF. HORN'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS —With Young Buffalo Wild West—Butler, Mo., Sept. 30; Carthage, Oct. 1; Webb City, 2; Ft. Scott, Kans., 3; Clinton, Mo., 4; Boonville, 5.

WHITE SLAVE CO.—Springfield, Ill., Oct. 2-3; Peoria, 4-5.

THE FLORIDA BLOSSOMS CO., Pete Worthy, Manager—Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 30; Ensley, Oct. 1; Bessemer, 2; Tuscaloosa, 3; Columbus, Miss., 4; Okalona, 5.

SMART SET CO., S. TUTT WHITNEY—Temple, Tex., Oct. 2; Galveston, 9-10.

ALLEN'S MINSTRELS—Ft. Smith, Ark., Sept. 30.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Adams and J. Greer
Bibbs, Richard
Carter, Paul
Carter, Leslie
Cook, W. Marion
Cheatham, Paul
Cullen, J. B.
Cook, C. B.
Cooper, Grant
Caldwell Elwood
Conley, James A.
Daniels, Willie
Daniels and Daniels
Dotson, Clarence
Davis, J. L.
Edwards, J. L.
Edwards, Chas. T.
Edwards, B. E.
Farrell, Ed
Freeman, K. Y.
Green, W. M.
Green, R. L. D.
Goines, Gus
Hughes, Atrus
Hill, J. Lubrie
Happy Dudley
Hunt, Hi Henry
Heonay, H.
Howard, W. T.
Irving, Warren
Jackson Ross H.
Jackson, Wilbur T.
Jackson, Willie
Kenner & Williams
Merryweather, El.
Norton, J. B.
Payton, S. E.
Patterson, A. D.
Robinson and White
Reed, Frank
Ranson, James
Saucy, Ollie
Strauder, Ed
Stone, E.
Singleton, J. E.
Stewart, Edward
Stevens, Tommie
Simms, Sank
Sutton, H. J.
Smith, James
Verlian, Chauncey
Wise, Hen.
Waldon, O. W.
Wallburg, Jack
Wallburg, Rae

Ladies' List.

Burton, Miss Izetta
Brown, Rosie
Copeland, Mrs. Martha
Coleficitt, Miss Tria
Dimond, Miss Elma
English, Miss Mattie
Ford, Zollie
Crosby, Miss Ruth
Garrett, Miss Early
Howard, Mrs. Nettie
Jones, Miss Julia V.
Kenney, Miss Hazel Loretto
Miller, Miss Mamie
Moore, Cecil A.
Mason, Lillian Brown
Smith, Miss Bessie
Townsend, Mary
Taylor, Miss Nettie
Wallburg, Miss Ray

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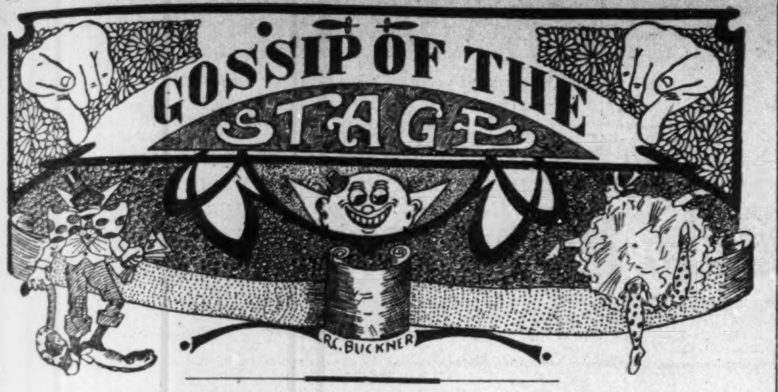

It is said that Wm. H. Willis' tramp act will get all of them in comedy.

Ray and Taylor, with their musical act, at the Old South theater, Boston, Mass., week of September 23.

Montgomery and McClain, Glenn and Glenn and Laura Smith were among the Freeman callers this week.

Leon, the magician and ventriloquist, was held over at the Crescent theater, New York City. Hempstead, L. I., to follow.

Robert Joplin, who has been filling engagements successfully about Indianapolis for some time, has gone to Louisville, Kentucky.

The team of Little Irma and Elbert White, the long and short of it, are still screaming them at the Globe theater, at Jacksonville theater.

Thornton and Long close the last half at the Harrison theater, Sunday, September 22. Left for Lyons, Ia., on Monday, September 23. Getting along nicely.

J. B. Norton, stage manager, is back with Allen's minstrels, doing a singing and talking turn. He desires to hear from all friends. Archie Jones, write, care Freeman.

Charles Anderson opened to packed house at the Auditorium theater, Philadelphia, Pa., September23, and made a big hit. Next week in New York City, at the Crescent theater.

D. W. Batsell, solo Bb clarinetist and director of Lebanon Union band, played the county colored fair at Rome, Tenn., September 20 and 21, and as usual the band scored another succecs. Mr. Charlie Allen, formerly of the Mazeppa shows, added strength to our trombone section.

The Miller Musical Family is at the Irvington theater, Newark, N. J., Monday and Tuesday, September 23 and 24, also at the Court theater, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 26, 27 and 28. They leave Newark on Sunday, September 29, for Washington, to spend the winter. They have made a great success this season.

QUEEN THEATER, WILMINGTON, N. C.

Have a very interesting bill for the week of the 23rd. Every act applauded on its merits. Opening with Miss Alberta Smiley singing rags and Dakey ballads. Tansel and Jones, who hand out funny sayings by the barrel. Jones, the comedy end, is without a doubt a comedian that works original and should be styled Inimitable Ham Bone, as he is nicknamed Ham Bone. Russell and Brown, a very nice sister team, who have just joined hands, are doing nicely. Mack Allen, the slack wire artist, needs no introduction, as he has traveled with all Negro shows that run an olio. The Pewees, Chas. and Sadie, is another team of recognized ability, who close the bill in great style, with a singing, dancing, talking, acrobatic and juggling act.

NOTES FROM CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADLPHIA, PA.

Business continues good and the weather is also pleasant. The bill opens this week with the Jamaca's team, the DeBotts, introducing Baby DeBotts, who made good. Next came Billy Cumby, the lion comique, who is really a great comedian and had to take three bows. Mattie Harris, with a great voice and lots of smiles, went with a bang. Madam Fairfax fairly set all wild and is held over. A very funny act named Wilson and Scott, the boys from "Bam," was a scream from start to finish. Next week's bill is headed by Wiggins and Wiggins.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

By Geo. Slaughter.

At the Olio.

Old Happy Lockhart opened the bill, doing a very funny monologue. John and his dance are a scream. As a comedian he is above the ordinary and when he takes the part of the acretaker of a crazy house he is a scream. Pauline Crampton and Carrie May Hall get them in a big way. Miss Crampton takes the male part and take it from me, she is there in a big way, as she takes two or three encores each night. Miss Hall, as a coon shouter, is great. Next Old Jeff Demount, who is a scream from the time he hits the stage until he just has to get back for the rest of the show, for he sure is funny with his zig-rag. The "Mad House," with all the company, follows. It is one of Miss Crampton's own productions, and she is assisted by Carrie Hall and Jeff Demount, Happy Lockhart and S. H. Lane doing the straight. Each Wednesday night is ladies' souvenir night, which is well attended. On Wednesday nights Manager Hogan hands his patrons something in the way of a flour diving contest, which is very funny. Friday night's tryout proves to be a great success, as Manager Hogan has booked several of his finds who have proven to be good, at other houses.

PRINCESS RAJAH IN MEMPHIS, TENN.

Princess Rajah is in her second week at the Metropolitan theater in Memphis, where she is making them all sit up and take notice. She has two more weeks in this first-class house. The management is first-class and there is always an engagement for first-class acts and salary is not an object if you have the "goods." Many of My "Baby Gal's" friends will be sorry to know of the sad accident she met with last Saturday. She fell down a stairway, breaking one of her legs. She was hurried off to the hospital, where her leg was set. She is doing nicely, able to walk with her other three feet. Baby Gal, now known as Old Folks, is fourteen years old and for five years was the talk of all the leading cities of Europe. She used to sing with Princess Rajah, making high C with ease. She sends regards to all friends. Remember, please, that Baby Gal, alias Old Folks, is a little bow-wow. On the bill at the Metropolitan theater is Miss Elvira Washington, Tom Parker and John Williams, Edwards and Edwards and Princess Rajah.

New Crown Garden

TIM E. OWSLEY, Mgr.

A larger audience than usual was present at the first show Monday night. The program was indeed one of the best offered this season.

Johnson and Robinson.

In a comic novelty singing and talking wire act, are beyond a doubt the best wire artists ever seen here. This act is a laugh all the way through. Besides making the audience laugh, Mr. Johnson does some daring feats. Miss Robinson, the female member of this act, is a clever talker, nice singer and a very neat soubrette, and between the two you witness a wire act that you will go again to see.

Laura Smith.

The Crown Garden favorite and some rag singer, sang three hit numbers. Each won for her an encore. Miss Smith never fails to make good. Laura knows as only a few do, how to sing a rag song and make the public like it. Miss Laura Smith is one of the best bets as a singing comedienne.

Anetia Wilkins.

Returns to us singing as of yore. Her songs are new and catchy, and she sings them as only an artist knows how. Her gowns add to her personal appearance, each being made of an expensive material. The audience enpoye dher songs, their appreciation being shown by their applause.

Frank Montgomery and Florence McClain.

Return to the Crown just as much in favor as when Mr. Montgomery was last here. Their act is new, artistic, clever and classy. Filled with wit and original humor, as no one but Mr. Montgomery can put in an act. Mr. Montgomery portrays two characters in his act, the last being a female. He's some gal impersonator, too. Miss Florence McClain, a home town girl, now the lifelong partner of Mr. Montgomery, shows to us what can be accomplished as an artist when once instructed by a man like Frank Montgomery. She, too, portrays two characters, her first being a male. O, what a pretty boy she makes. Her last impersonation is as she really is, a girl. Each of these two people are actors who know how and do please the audience. I learn that Mr. Montgomery will soon return to head the Crown Garden Stock Company. I am sure the patrons will welcome this act when they return.

FRANK MONTGOMERY.

FLORENCE McLAIN.

Glenn and Glenn.

Holdovers from last week, are one big scream. The Glenns in their new act are simply a riot. Their costumes, songs, jokes and dances are all new. The Glenns are one of the biggest hits that ever played the Crown. The audience welcomes them on their entrance and increases the applause at every thing they do until their exit. Miss Glenn as a soubrette is as clever as the best. She can dance and dance some. She can sing and sing some. And by her being a woman, you know she can talk some. Mr. Glenn is a real funny comedian, the kind that is clever, clean and legitimate. I never saw two men look more alike than he and Mr. S. H. Dudley under cork. Mr. Glenn is a good dancer and a funny talking comedian. The Glenns are now one of the Crown favorites and the audience will always welcome their return. The orchestra also makes a hit this week with one of Prof. Kelly's overtures. If Tim Owsley isn't a "Wizard" his action is like one. He seems to know what the people want and he gives it to them. And it takes a wizard to know what the people want now days. By K. C. E.

Billy E. Jones, the versatile singer of popular songs, continues to win applause with the song hit "Just a oCttage of Contentment."

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By *Sylvester Russell*

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SHOW BUSINESS

Wherefores and Wherewithalls of Managers, Musicians and Actors. Anthropologetical Briefs of What Is Within the Critic's Command.

The sage of the show world on State street rushes back into action to serve as a jury in passing judgment upon indiscreets and sluggards, to praise or reprimand, according to the gravity of the situation. Because critics talk about themselves, and others, as a defensive duty, I am prone to tell the wise men of the show world that this message of rebuke is not for them, but applies to those who have made mistakes. As the critic of the hour, I am in favor of modern progress. I belong to the Progressive party. I believe in Theodore Roosevelt and I am the Bull Moose horn of the State street stroll in the profession. First, I will speak of new developments that are to take place in the building of ne wtheaters. One will be at the corner of Thirty-fifth and State streets and ground is to be broken early. Another in the same neighborhood is spoken of as a bluff. These houses will be directly in the heart of the Negro district and the managers will have to look to the Negro race for their patronage. Here the problem of Jewish management will come up for solution, not because of prejudice, but because the cordiality I have received from American managers has been more refined and less arrogant and in my twelve years of experience I have always found that whatever a manager's attitude is toward a critic, is exactly the same toward the public. In New York, I reiterate, that the Jewish management is the most popular because they are modern men with brains; but in Chicago the situation is dicerent, if I am to judge by the gross insults caused by ignorance, which I have accepted from a Jewish manager for the cause of actors and musicians as a sacrifice to teach this manager what he may not learn until the hour grows late. So when the new theaters are built I will solve the problems of the managers for the musicians, the actors and the colored race, and especially as a factor if the colored press is to be ignored; for that will be a time for them all to act. If the -ooperation of the newspapers by support is treated with contempt in business, and not even one paper is supported, where white men figure with the Negro race in commercial enterprises, then it will be time to retaliate by independence. The new theater now in course of construction at the corner of Indiana avenue and Thirty-first street will no doubt have a somewhat divided assortment of racial patronage. It is a peculiar neighborhood and it is hard to determine upon what the dimensions of its assimilated patronage will be. In the meantime, good, first-class musicians can immigrate to Chicago and those who are here can recuperate and get ready for emergency service. Colored actors are also hereby warned to get something together if they desire any work and managers of colored theaters should do all they can to form a better and more complete booking alliance.

Johnson, Conway & Watson at the Grand—Os-Ko-Mon, Indian Dancer, Pleases.

There were no tedious moments on the bill which opened at the Grand on Monday evening. Johnson, Conway and Watson, in a comedy farce, "The Leak," were quite the entertaining feature of the bill and quite away from the usual routine of utilities, except the working to death of the telephone. But the act, which included a real actress, was decidedly good. Os-Ko-Mon, a genuine Indian dancer in native clothes and natural flowing hair, sang wel land danced war dances in genuine style, which made a hit, as did his encore imitation of the way they do it now in rag time. Huegel and Sylvester, clown acrobats, raised a novel commotion. The Rathskelled Trio, Mitchell, Wells and Lewis, sang well and acted nicely in a piano and ragtime combination, and L. H. Rose and company in "A Matter of Custom," repeated their former success of a few weeks ago. The last half of last week retained Housley and Nichols as the stars. Della and Templeton in the "Goblins' Den," were good. Others were the Norwoods, Santon and Carter and a "Night in Edelweiss." The house was large, the orchestra palyed good and everybody was wel lpleased.

Hattie McIntosh and Picks at the Monogram—Lizzie Wallace Thrills in Lickerish Dances.

The return of Hattie McIntosh and her clever boys, including Hester Kenton, drew big audiences at the Monogram. Mrs. McIntosh not only sang good comedy songs better than ever, but she danced with unusual agility and wore lavish dresses as in days of yore. Miss Kenton put one over in a song and dance, and the boys danced well. This act is now good enough for big time theaters. Miss Lizzie Wallace made her re-entree after several months' absence, and thrilled in lickerish dances, which nearly reached the limit, but got a good reception. Merriweather and Casmay, in a new act, were legitimately fun provoking. Merri's comedy work is now in an advancing stage and Casmay is one exquisite dancer. The Goodloes, who held over from last week, fully sustained their well-known reputation.

Shelton Brooks Comes Next Week.

Shelton A. Brooks, now fully enough recovered from his recent non-commission, will make his re-appearance at the Monogram next Monday evening in a new complete repertoire of songs, assisted by Eddie Gray, the tenor, who is also a composer.

The Bill of Fare at the Pekin.

Sunday at the Pekin opened with vaudeville. The regular photo plays presented "Gambling Exposed" on Monday evening to a full house. Unfortunately the machine broke down and the audience had to be dismissed.

New Orchestra at the Phoneix.

Manager Hammond has installed a new orchestra of five pieces at this house, under the direction of Clarence Jones. The roster will appear in the next issue. The photo plays were "The Missing Finger," "The Man From Dragonland" and "Bunny's Suicide."

Special Bill at the Merit.

The special two-reel Bison feature at this house was "The White Lie." The orchestra was especially good and the house, which is popular with the colored people, was full.

At the Mineral Springs Club.

Miss Fanny Wise heads the concert bill at this very exclusive house. Others are Birleanna Cunningham, contralto; Mrs. Richard B. Harrison, pianist, and Walter Evans, singer. It would be more select if the artists would appear from the platform exclusively.

Chicago Stage Notes and Stroll News.

The Giant Quartette opened its season at Monroe, Wis. The members are W. Rodger Jones, H. D. Coleman, W. S. Roberts and J. R. Manning.

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New songs by local composers arranged for publication by Will Dorsey and H. Alf. Kelly of the Chicago Musical Bureau, are "I Want to Do It" and "Rumi-tum," by Shelton A. Brooks; "Southern Queen," by John Walters; "When You Return," by Elmer Bowman and Shelton Brooks; "Satisfied," by E. R. Cecil and "Trombone Jimmy," by Will Dorsey.

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H. A. Smith, the jeweler, is now located at 4755 State street, in a neighborhood where his services are handy and much needed.

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Wilbert Ray, of St. Joseph, Mo., was the guest of Allen and Morton during his visit in the city.

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The Bruces have left for Kansas City. Their tour will extend to the coast, including Honolulu and from there to Australia.

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J. L. Hocker & Company, ladies' and gents' tailors of 3245 State street, are doing some high grade work and their business is growing.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hagiman are entertaining every evening at the El Centro bucet, under Odd Fellows' hall. Sherman Blackwell, the proprietor, is growing very popular.

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The Brinkleys, Dave and Daisy, made good at the Virginia and have left for Grand Rapids, Mich., after which they open in Minneapolis with six weeks in Minnesota to follow.

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C. Bruce Santee has opened a new studio, which will be known as "The Fad," at 3124 State street, near the Grand theater. His new improved shooting gallery is also in evidence.

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James, "Frosty," Moore has signed over the Mack and Hoy circuit and will open in Detroit. Moore is in every way a good funny legitimate comedian.

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Fred L. Bradford has left for Moweague, Wis., where he is to make three daily ascensions. He is on the Sullivan-Considine circuit.

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The Belle Meade Club has struck the popular fancy at 5059 Armour avenue. Frank H. Lewis, the proprietor, is a man of considerable experience and makes things go.

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The Arion Concert Company appeared at St. Mark's church, Fiftieth and Wabash avenue, Tuesday evening, September 17. The featured soloist of the evening was Mr. Theophilus P. Bryant, baritone. He was assisted by Mabel and eBssie Williams, Sallie Walker, Geraldine Cornell, a reader; Darnell Howard and Mrs. European Crawford, who was also accompanist. Mr. Bryant appeared first in a duet with Mabel Williams, a light soprano, whose voice is sweet. He afterwards appeared in such numbers as "Roses in June," "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes," and Harry Burleigh's "Jean." His conception of are was that of intelligent understanding and his presence lent a good ecect to what was void in lustre, in a good method of expression. Master Darnell Howard, a child violin pupil whose work gives promise if he will be kept oc the stage until he becomes older. The ladies' quartette was an excellent feature, especially the alto voices, and they were well rehearsed.

CINCINNATI, O., THEATRICALS

"If you want to fight, join the army," is the inscription hund in the dressing room of the Pekin theater since the manager was compelled to cancel the Jones and Perkins act last week, owing to a number of fisticuff exhibitions given by this team during their short stay in this city, much to the disgust of the dressing room attaches of this quiet little theater. The manager has issued strict orders to cancel hereafter at the first sign or demonstration of the Jack Johnson manners, given by any performer booked in the house. He was very lucky to secure Miss Maud Berry to help out the bill after he cancelled the main attraction. She did very well on a moment's notice. Miss Irene Howard was changed to the night show with some added numbers, which gave general satisfaction. For this week's attraction, the Two Sweets seem to have filled a desire in the hearts of the Pekin patrons. They seem to do just enough talking, plenty of dancing and the singing screamed them, especially the parodies, some a little suggestive, but acceptable. The indications are for a record-breaking week. Miss Maud Berry was the matinee attraction.

Notes.

Detective E. S. Hall, of Chicago, while passing through this city last week could not resist the temptation of making an arrest when the opportunity presented itself. While passing over Fifth street, near John, he saw a bad Negro flourishing a revolver and threatening people, and no city officer in sight. He immediately placed the giant under arrest after a struggle and took him to police headquarters, where he (Hall) was complimented by the chief of police. Hall remained over to prosecute his man.

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Tom Gales, the tried veteran of many hard campaigns, who was thought to have given up the stage and joined the Mexican rebel army, has at last been heard from, and not in the home for aged and decrepit actors, as some predicted, either. He was located with an Old Tom show way out in Wilkesbarre, Pa. Tom writes to The Freeman correspondent and reports a swell time. He is with one of the Stetson's biggest and best Uncle Tom's Cabin companies, on the road with a fine bunch of people, and they are packing them every show. He sends best regards to all of his friends and the police.

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Jakie Brown, another one of "Ma-Bill's" boarders has just sent in a few lines to The Freeman correspondent, inquiring about the supply of pig's feet and other hog ingredients, for the winter. He is with the Ten Georgia Coon Shouters and says he is doing well.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NOTES.

By Billy E. Jones.

The Kemps are at the Orpheum theater, Denver.

Virginia Grant at the Empress theater, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jones and Moore are at the Bijou theater, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Ten Dark Kinghts are at the Lyric theater, Newark, N. J.

Cook and Stevens at the Pantages theater, Los Angeles, Cal.

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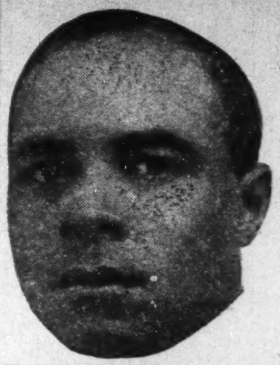

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

Ruth Harrison is at the Star Theater, Tampa, Fla.

P. G. Lowery is picking some fine talent for his minstrel show.

A. A. Wright will be with the Lowerys. Mighty Minstrel season 1912-13.

The Wallings, Hampy and Rae, are in St. Louis, Mo. Regards to friends.

South Sea Island Joe is booked for thirty weeks in the leading museums for 1912-13.

Lew Hall, that droll comedian, is now playing the Joel Circuit. This week, Star Theater, Tampa, Fla.

The Lowery Mighty Minstrel will open near East St. Louis in November. Can place a few more musicians who double stage.

Whitney Viney is engaged with the Lowery's Mighty Minstrels for the season of 1912-13.

John and Lila Moore are paving the way in the dramatic profession. Now playing Lincoln theater, W. 135th street, New York.

Walter Thomas, the tailor with Wallace & Hagenbeck, is the only colored tailor holding this position with a circus. He is meeting with great success.

John W. Dennis, premier comedian with Charles Geyer's Dandy Dixie Minstrels, would like to hear from Elwood Johnson. Bud Truly, let me hear from you. Care of the Freeman.

John W. Dennis, comedian, and Allie Young, slack wire artist, made a short visit to Chicago on the 11th of the month. Mrs. Hattie Payton, soubret, was a visitor to the Dixie show and the guest of J. W. Dennis. Come again.

Clarence Cameron White, violin virtuose, assisted by William Speights, tenor, gave a recital September 6 at Congregational church, Ludlow, Vt. One of his program numbers was "An African Dance," by S. Coleridge-Taylor, the distinguished Negro composer, who recently died.

The Golden Left Shtock Company is in Virginia after making good in the state of Kentucky. Want the company back again. Brown and Brown get along fine in the Blue Grass state. Mr. M. Harris is making good. The public always wants to see Riley and Riley. Mrs. M. Hankons is also making good. The company is a big hit.

How is this for a band of twelve: P. G. Lowery, cornet soloist; Thomas May, solo cornet; A. A. Wright, solo cornet; Elmer Payne, clarinet; A. Victor, first alto; Irvie Richardson, second alto; John Tobias, first trombone; Max Shaw, second trombone; John Haywood, baritone; Wm. May, tuba; Charles Beechum, snare drum; Wm. Lee, bass drum. Can you beat it?

NOTES FROM GOLMAR BROS.' ANNEX SHOW.

Everybody is well and doing nicely. The band and minstrel show are still holding their own. Mr. Harry Anderson is making a big hit with his songs and real funny jokes. Mr. Thomas Bright is singing "The Georgia Grind." Mr. William Bright always cleans up with his song, "Pucker up Your Lips, Miss Lindy." Mr. William Carr and Henry Young are still with us, and send regards to all friends. Prof. Harris returns his regards to Pop Adams, W. P. Smith and Adolph Tilden.

BARNUM & BAILEY NOTES.

Herman Brown, stage manager with Prof. Wolfscale's Company, is still with the big show, meeting up with much success. Mr. Brown will be seen in vaudeville this winter. Hardy Montgomery, who joined the company a few weeks ago, is making good. Mr. W. A. Gordon, W. P. Smith and L. S. Richards, members of the band, will spend a few weeks in St. Louis at the end of the season. Prof. Wolfscale and company send best regards to Prof. James Harris and company and Grant Cooper and Amos Peoples. The B. and B. Giants are booked to play quite a few games throughout the Southern states.

NOTES FROM RINGLING BROS.' WORLD'S GREATEST.

We are now about to finish dear old Missouri for this season, and everybody seems to be very glad. During our stay in this state, Piramel and Sami, the double-bodied Hindoo boy, was not allowed to appear on exhibition on account of the law here preventing the public exhibition of freaks of his nature.

The Annex Band is still scoring a big hit wherever it goes, both for talent and sociability. It has also made a record for itself by not losing a member during the entire season, being just as it opened in April. Everybody is well and happy and wish all the same.

MEMPHIS, TENN.

Savoy Theater.

The Pamflin-White Musical Comedy Company created a great sensation this week with their new show, entitled "Mrs. Cash's Boarding House," in two acts, with the following cast: Mrs. Cash, Miss Elliott; Mr. Plenty Money, W. B. White; messenger boy, Clarence Perdue; Ras, Henry Fields; Jas. Little, Tommy Parker. It was full of ginger from start to finish. Plenty of singing and dancing. Nellie Brook, the dancing soubrette, is taking encores by the handful, singing "Lead Me to That Beautiful Band." Tommy Parker, the little comedian, is in a class by himself, singing "I Like Music with My Meals." Henry Fields is still a sure cure for the blues. Billy Reese says howdy, Too Sweet; still here. Like to hear from all good acts.

THE DIXIE LAND JUBILEE MINSTRELS.

The Dixie Land Jubilee Minstrels, with Wolcott's Model Shows, are nearing the close of a very successful season. Then all aboard for one of the most unique two-car shows now touring America. The show at present carries sixteen people. The two Browns, Dave and Bessie, formerly with J. C. O'Brien, are with us, and send regards to all friends. Johnnie and Josie Gray are here. Hamilton and Hamilton pulled off a stunt in Lenoir City, Tenn., that was a scream from A to Z. The Mysterious Williams is originating a sketch, entitled "Abie and Rachel." Ed Muldron won't tell how he got here. Willar King has the center position yet. Chas. Burems and Cecil Smith are furnishing the music. Burems is a new member. Regards to Williams' Troubadours, Henry Watterson and Sam Gardner. Hello, Bobby Lenton. Haven't you got any paper and stamps? Kid and Gussie Love, write.

KNOCKING A PRODUCER AND MANAGER.

A. Barraso, proprietor and manager of the Savoy theater, Memphis, Tenn., would like to know why he is being knocked on by performers who are not really up to the standard. Mr. Barraso has had some of the highest salaried performers in the business who can readily say that they have been treated royally; and he does not owe any of them, such as Bessie La Belle, Queen Dora, English, James Sisters, Laura Smith, Minstrel Morris, Too Sweets and Ramson and Ramson, all of whom are performers of high class. Mr. Barrasso has enough money to buy half a dozen of these managers who think they have and can get performers. He has been doing a sucesssful business ever since the death of his brother, Fred. There are always openings for good sister teams, novelty acts, singles and stock companies. Long engagements if you make good. No act too expensive if you can deliver the goods.

A. BARRASSO,
Manager.

STAR THEATER, COLUMBUS, GA.

Miss Rachel Gilliard, one of the most pleasing and hard working soubrets on the vaudeville stage, closed a four weeks' engagement Saturday night, responding to three and four encores nightly during the entire four weeks. Our patrons have already begun urging the manager to give her a return engagement.

Rastus Jones also closed a four weeks' holdover, but became a little "rocky" the last night, and the last show had to be put on without him. He alone seemed to have felt the loss (a fine of $1.00).

Miss Arnetta Shackelford, late of the team of Williams and Shackelford, made her first appearance in this city and certainly took the audience off their feet with her very catchy songs and live-wire dancing. We hope to be favored with the reappearance of Miss Shackelford again this week.

Jackson and Jackson, a team of decidedly young appearance, closed after two fairly successful weeks.

The Allen Troubadours opened their return engagement Monday night, and the lobby, pavement and to the middle of the street was a solid mass of struggling humanity, clamoring to purchase tickets to each of the two shows given. They gave their usual pleasing show.

NOTES FROM THE WHITE SLAVE COMPANY.

Members of the White Slave Company, while in Atlanta, Ga., were tendered a stag given in their honor by Mr. Albert White at the residence of Miss Scott Sutton. Those present, who were highly entertained, are Mr. Lonnie Fisher, Mr. Lonnie Reid Mr. Wm. Hill, Mr. Ernest Christian, Mr. Gus Simmons, Mr. Nat Lucas and Mr. Walter Robinson.

The Kentucky Four with the White Slave Company, composed of Mr. Ecans Tyree, Mrs. Elizabeth Huddeson, Mr. R. O. Henderson and Mr. Archie Huddleson, are taking eight and nine calls every night.

Gus Simmons, Pickinniny Hill, Ernest Christian and Noble Johnson are taking care of the dancing end of the company.

Nat Lucas and Walter Robinson are holding their own in the singing department, while Miss Helen Marshall and Miss Fannie Johnson, our sister act, do not fail to please them with the new song hit, "All Night Long."

Mrs. Elizabeth Huddleson is still taking four and five encores, singing "On a Beautiful Night With a Beautiful Girl."

All are well with the company, and send best wishes to all friends.

LOWERY AND HIS EXCELLENT COMPANY.

P. G. Lowery's Progressive Musical Enterprise is the right name for the above company. I have had the pleasure of visiting every circus carrying colored companies, and can safely say without fear of contradiction that the company with the Wallace Shows, under the management of P. G. Lowery, is far the best aggregation under the white tents. It is an even-balanced company, carrying a band, orchestra and show. From the first number from the band on parade one can easily detect each member of the band is from the old school. Each member has had personal teaching from Prof. Lowery, and play only as trained musicians. Their tours are well sustained with perfect attractions, which gives a great effect, especially for a small band. The old, self-made style of blasting and each member trying to outblow his fellow bandman is done away with in this organization. The concert work by the band inside of the tent is the most pleasing of any band I have ever had the chance of listening to, consisting of popular overtures, catchy rags and heavy marches. One can easily detect the musical ability of such men as A. A. Wright, Thomas May, John Haywood, John H. Tobias, Wm. May and A. Victor, who handle their independent solos in different selections in artistic style.

I would advise all young musicians to try to take advantage of such schooling.

The minstrel part of the show is very good. They dress neat and tidy, especially the three ladies, Mrs. Alma Richardson, Miss Lizzie Thompson and Miss Callie Vassar. The two funmakers or end men, Charles Beechum and U. S. Thompson, are two busy bees, and there is not one dull moment.

Special mention is due Mr. Irvie Richardson, the high tenor, has such a voice as is rarely heard under the side show tent. The minstrel part is ably supported by an excellent orchestra, under the leadership of A. Victor, who, I hear, has been in the employ of P. G. Lowery for seven years.

This is, without doubt, the most pleasant company I ever had an opportunity to visit—just like one big, jolly family. On asking Mr. Lowery how he managed to bring about such unanimous harmony, he replied: "It's all in the system—when to speak, what to speak and how to speak."

AN UNKNOWN,
Traveling Critic.

CRITERION THEATER, KANSAS CITY, MO.

The original McDaniel Comedy Company, now playing as the Criterion Stock Company, has been playing to crowded houses all season, beginning June 16, and is still holding the crowds. Mr. O. H. McDaniel, the producer, and Mr. Homer B. Roberts, the manager of the theater, are both well pleased with the success of the past season and hope that with the aid of the Freeman they will be able to secure some more ladies and gentlemen in the profession to keep up the standard of the shows in the future as well as has been done in the past.

The show business in Kansas City is now in its infancy, but it is coming to the front fast.

The Freeman is on sale all over the city, and the colored people are supporting the houses and airdomes in a way to be proud of.

The Criterion Stock Company has been very well received by the Kansas City public. Mr. Tom Overton, better known as Doe Doe Green, is the town talk and has a large following, as he has proven to be the greatest favorite Kansas City has ever had in this profession. Mrs. Anna Overton, the able coonshouter, has captivated the thousands of patrons with her sweet singing and good acting. Mr. J. W. Brown, better known as Buddie Jenkins, is a straight man who has worked his way into the hearts of the people by his clever singing, dancing and acting. Mr. Archie Jones, the king of character men, is a new member of the McDaniel Comedy Company and is the favorite wherever he goes, as he is a gentleman on and off the stage, and a performer of ability hardly excelled by anyone. In his presentation of "Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde," he became the pride of Kansas City. He has only to be seen to be appreciated.

Mr. S. R. McDaniel, better known as Cream Puff, is a comedian, dancer and character man who is hard to beat. Being an all-round performer, he has done a great deal towards making the company a success. Miss Toy Chappelle is also a great favorite here, as she is a classy soubret, singing and dancing, and one of the best character women in the business. She makes good everywhere. Miss Anna Holt has proven to be a great asset to the company and receives much praise for her fine emotional acting and male impersonator. Miss Laureinstein Ford is a neat little woman with a sweet soprano voice that pleases. She makes good with her wierd dances and clever singing.

Mr. Gallie Haston is the new George Walker, and he screams the audiences in his wench impersonations. Mr. Frank H. Jackson and Miss Mabel Austin are also hard to beat in their line.

Mr. Alonzo Moore, the Great Colored Magician.

Mr. Alanzo Moore, the great colored magician, opened his engagement at the Criterion for one week's engagement on September 5, making one of the biggest hits of his career. He played to a packed house, following one of the strongest bills of the season, "The Child of the Regiment" produced by O. H. McDaniel, and closed the bill with one of the greatest acts in vaudeville. He was pronounced great by all who witnessed his act. The people all yelled for half an hour when he would take rabbits, ducks, chickens, eggs, money and cards from the clothing of different people in the audience. His act is great, and the man is as mucs as his act.

The Criterion orchestra is under the leadership of Mr. Fountain B. Woods, the celebrated trombone soloist. The chorus is handled by Miss Alma Webster, the pianist. She has no equtls among the ladies. Her playing is great, and we are all proud of her.

The team of May and May (String Beans) is at the Star theater, Kansas City, Mo. They are scoring nightly. The weather has been too warm to pack the house, though the show is said to be good. Baby Seals is also at the Star with his partner, Miss Fisher. They are in stock.

All send regards to all friends in and out of the profession. We all read the Freeman.

O. H. McDANIEL,
Correspondent.

OBITUARY.

Pretty Bessie Brady Dies in New York—Body Brought to Chicago for Burial.

There was a sudden gloom went over the professional world when the news was spread that pretty Bessie Brady, wife of James M. (Icky) Thomas, had died from the effects of an operation at Roosevelt hospital, Friday, September 13. Directly after her death her devoted brother, Chas. H. Brady, wired A. W. York, a Urovidence (R. I.) undertaker, to come at once and prepare the body to be sent to her home, 3731 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill., accompanied by her husband, Icky Thomas, and her sister, Mrs. Mayme Alexander. The funeral took place at Ebeneezer Baptist church Wednesday morning, September 18, at 10 o'clock. Rev. Vernon Cooper officiated. After the choir had sang "No Night There," the Williams Dixie Quartet chanted "Remember Thy Creator," after which Rev. Balay led in prayer. Mrs. Pearl Warner presided at the organ, and as the people viewed the remains, the choir sang "Asleep in Jesus." The body was attired in a white silk shroud, and lay in full view in a pink casket with a silver plate, in which was inscribed: "Bessie May Thomas."

Life and Career of the Actress.

Miss Brady was born in Frankfort, Ky., and was thirty years of age. At an early age she showed an aptitude for dancing. Her first appearance on the stage was in Williams and Walkers' Abyssinia Company in 1905, and in 1906 she married Icky Thomas, also a member of the company. She continued with the last company in "Bandana Land," and was later a member of Bert A. Williams' company in "A Lode of Koal." When the Williams company disbanded, Miss Brady entered vaudeville in Chicago, and her first appearance at the Pekin theater two years ago met with success. Later she joined hands with Leona Mitchell, and the two performers met with good sucecss on the circuits, and were both popular at the Grand and Monogram theaters in Chicago.

Miss Brady, who was beautiful in form and features, ranked next to Aida Overton Walker in Spanish dances. Her last appearance on the stage was at the Crescent theater in New York last June, where she broke down from overwork.

Floral offerings from New York and Chicago were too numerous to mention. Among some of the gifts were from Six Musical Spillers, New York; Frank and Etta Clermonts, New York; Vergie and Annita Bush and Jack Girens, New York; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Battles, New York; John and Mamie Holden, Philadelphia; eorgia B. Gomez, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Van Wicker, Lizzie Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson, Esther Calloway, Mrs. L. Joplin, Mrs. Bernard Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. John Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harrison, Ella Watson and Alice Walker, Hattie S. Hobbs, Mrs. H. Horseley, Mrs. Percy Turner, Mrs. Letina Jackson, Helen White, Sarah D. Brown, Mrs. Mason, Eva and Helen Green, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Foreman, Mrs. Jeffreys, Sam Patterson, Chas. Young, Mary Idell, Mr. and Mrs. John Craig; Lady Elliott Circle, No. 199, King's Daughters; Naomi Circle, of Ebeneezer church, and a design from the Sunday school of which she had been a scholar. The pallbearers were Matt H. Housley, Sam Patterson, Ralph Nichols, Charles Young (C. V. B. A. members), Will Abel and John McRhay.

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Elizabeth Lee Kelley.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lee Kelley, wife of Robert A. Kelley, the veteran actor of the team of Kelley and Catlin, died suddenly at her home, 19 West 134th street, New York City, Saturday, September 14, at 2 p. m. Mrs. Kelley, who had long been a sufferer, had been preparing a meal for her husband, who had been appearing in Philadelphia but had suddenly terminated his engagement to return to New York, owing to the failing condition of his wife's health. The funeral took place at Mother Zion A. M. E. church, after the arrival of her brother from Chicago, Wednesday, September 18.

Mrs. Kelley, to say the least, was a very charming and intelligent woman. Her letters of advice and comfort which came to me regular, as one of a number of women who admired my life's work in literature, were of great consolation to me and a source of inspiration that I shall always miss, for her words were words of wisdom that came as if a message from on high. And few people there are who know what the depression of the lives of the world's most useful philosophers really are.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NOTES.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Miss Ray White and Miss Rose Orr will form a trio to play the principal vaudeville houses in and around New York City. This act will certainly be a feature with Miss Rose Orr, who is a performer of exceptional ability.

Brooks and Robinson, the two eccentrics, will open their season on the Western Vaudeville Association time in San Francisco, in their new act, "The Darktown Millionaire," October 14. These boys should make good in the West, as they have the goods.

Zel Bleasuar, late of Black Pitti's company, who has been making good down East as a monologist, will invade the West on the Western Vaudeville Association time. He is now resting in New York prior to opening his vaudeville tour. He wishes to hear from all friends. Address, 256 West Thirty-seventh street.

Billy E. Jones introduced a new song ballad hit, "Just a Cottage of Contentment," at South Beach, N. Y., Sunday and scored a big hit.

The Miller Family scored nicely in their musical offering at the Arcade theater, Newark, N. J., Monday, and were also the feature act on the bill. They are booked up to October.

The Ginger Trio this week are at the Amsterdam theater, Hoboken, N. J.

Miss Daisy Martin, late of Dudley's Smart Set Company, is doing so well in vaudeville with Delaney, her partner, that she will continue in vaudeville the rest of the season.

Mme. Della Clay, who is one of the best vaudeville pianists, who is now at Carnasie, New York, and who has been creating quite an impression in her musical numbers, will close her engagement about October 1.

James Woodson, the bass singer, late of Black Patti's show, has signed to go with S. H. Dudley's Smart Set Company as principal bass singer.

Miss Alice Ramsey, who featured the "Monkey Rag" last season in the Black Patti show, is repeating her former success with the Patti Show. Also John Phillip, one of Boston's baritone singers, who is heard to good advantage in the singing numbers. They are both very clever in their work, and would make an excellent team for vaudeville were they to frame up an act.

Miss Mammie Rowe, the dainty soubret with the Black Patti show, is more than making good, and is quite an attraction with the show, this being her first season in the profession.

Billy E. Jones, the versatile singer, sang for the first time on any stage the great ballad which is destined to be one of the biggest hits this season, "Just a Cottage of Contentment," and scored the biggest hit this season, receiving three and four encores at Warshaw's theater, South Beach, last Sunday. He will feature this song the rest of the season.

Helen Goodman, formerly of the Somoan Girls Quartet, is meeting with success in vaudeville. This week she is at the Grand opera house, St. Catherine, Ont. She sends regards to all friends.

Lelia Michel, formerly of the Black Patti Company, is creating a big impression on the Dudley circuit with her single, and is one of the few singing comedienes who is making good. Last week she appeared at the Dudley theater, in Washington, D. C.

Miss Laura Brown, of Newark, N. J., will be seen in one of the big road companies soon. She possesses all the personality and can get her songs over. She may go in vaudeville until the later part of this season.

SUNNY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

By Dick M. Brown.

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Little Dick Brown and Fred Allen hold down the extreme ends, while James Tatnall, Jimmie Garreta, Frank eKith and S. Holmes bring up the rear. Fred Allen and Brown keep the house in an uproar from the time the show starts until the finish. Dick Brown always scores in his song, "Tell Her No, and Dat's All." Fred Allen mops when he sings "Alarm Clock." Jimmie Garrett, our champion buck and wing dancer, receives from one to three dollars from the audience every night. Willie McDonald, the lyric tenor, pleases everybody when they hear him sing "When the Dew Is on the Rose." Frank Keith, our monologist, is very funny, and knows how to handle his song, "Red Hot Stove." We have a fourteen-piece orchestra. Mr. Frank Perryman has a new saxophone. The orchestra is under the leadership of Prof. Napoleon Black. Perryman and Wr. Bryant have a swell musical act using fifteen different musical insaruments.

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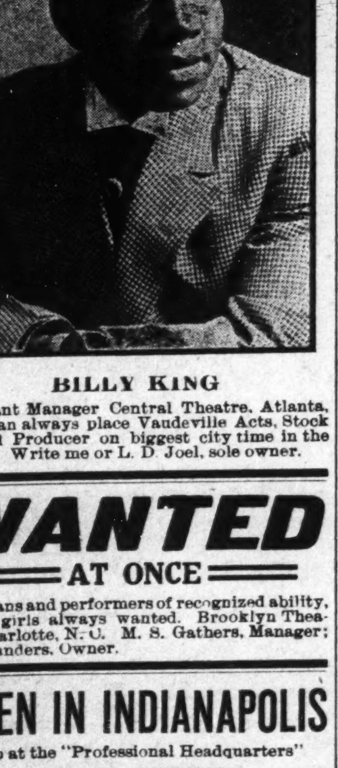

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MOTHER FORSAKES NOT HER OWN—COMES WITH THE OTHER DAUGHTER TO JACK JOHNSON'S HOME—BOTH HAVE SUFFERED BECAUSE OF THE MARRIAGE.

The Funeral—Thousands at Church Tribute—Touching Scenes.

(By Billy Lewis.)

As Providence would have it, the father of Mrs. Jack Johnson had been called to his long home before her end. However, he did not escape what her family felt to be its affliction. He was an invalid at the time of the marriage, the news of which, to say the least, was not helpful to his malady. It is said that David Terry, the father, on learning of the happening, shut himself up in his home; refused to see anyone except his immediate family; he would not be comforted. The "terrible" news hastened him to his grave. Mr. Terry was of importance in his community; he was a member of a firm near New York City. His family moved in society, consequently he keenly felt the darts that society knows so well how to direct.

Had he been living his abdurate heart would not have relented, and the beautiful souled woman would have passed on and out of the world without the blessing of a father, that only visible display of a father's love to his grown-up children. And this due to the frightful chasm between the races, socially, and owing to which one is a tempted inquirer of the All-Wise whether mankind expects of man more than he expects of God. Was it intended that the races should commingle, knowing no distinction between those made in the image of the Maker? If the millenium age depends on racial harmony, it is yet in the dim distance, judging by the daily happenings and the things that are not permitted to happen.

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Etta Duryea was fortunate in having left as her chief mourner her mother rather than her father. His love had already turned to its opposite. She answered that womanhood that will not submit to description—a description that never was—the final trust of mankind—the last stand of mankind. To look from her were to look to the clouds, the skies and to that which is yet behind them. As society goes, this woman, Mrs. David Terry, suffered very much. She was a society woman of a kind that takes no cognizance of the Negro race. Her society was not different to the societies of white people of the country generally, who do not for a single moment think of entertaining Negroes.

Mrs. Terry entered the usual plea of insanity for her daughter, defending her, the old instinct, knowing that the prelude to destruction when rationally minded is generally considered some burning shame. She also defended the husband, Jack Johnson, insisting that he was a good man who showered kindnesses on the unfortunate woman. Here again was woman—motherhood at its best mission, saving the remnants of the family dignity, restoring as best she could what was quite beyond hope of total restoration. It is a mother's way; she included the great big black man in her heart. For as opposed as he was to her social creed and to her race in all other ways mostly, the maternal instinct fought its way through much that must have revolted her, but on through her own doubts and fears until she reached the clear white plain of her conscience beyond; she set her standard there. She insisted that her daughter was Johnson's only wife, thus striking at hurtful rumor in defense of her daughter's marital relations.

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Scarcely less in her stoicism and resignation was the remaining daughter than the mother. Miss Elaine Terry has keenly felt the scalpel of society and which follows naturally enough. It is said that she has released her intended from his betrothal plight, knowing the cost if he chose to carry out his contracts with her. What he will do in the matter will prove interesting, and in the interest of the problem of the possible harm arising from such cases.

The young lady was not heedless to the call of her flesh and blood, even though she walk through the valley and shadow of death.

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The thousands that gathered about the home, the church and at the cemetery during the ceremonies and burial rites of Mrs. Jack Johnson must have been rather disquieting to the calm of the mother and sister. But it was the tribute paid to greatness, perhaps not th[illegible] greatness most desirable, but great[illegible]s nevertheless. Thus the motely crow[illegible]urged about the remains of the woma[illegible]o was associated with greatness, and [illegible] goes, as a token of distinction to [illegible]vidual, Jack Johnson, the husba[illegible]

It was mo[illegible]e curiosity. From all accounts, [illegible]t shown was profound. Much of [illegible]ue the woman herself, who p[illegible]ble character. A beautiful soul [illegible]tiful woman, then earth w[illegible]. Despite the strange, un[illegible] Etta Duryea Johnson came [illegible] she proved a treasure, falter[illegible] time, so far as it is known, in [illegible]otion to the choice she made and [illegible]at it meant. Not one note of dis[illegible] is uttered of her. That she chose unwisely from a racial viewpoint, is the most that her worst detractors can say of her. She married a "nigger" was the one unpardonable sin, but happily so out of men's prejudices rather than from their sanity.

The crowds in the most part, we take the liberty to say, were moved by what had been learned of her from time to time. Mere idle curiosity moved but the few. The wife of the foremost fighting man of the age had conducted her life, as it were, in a spot light, and like Caesar's wife, she was above suspicion. The loads of flowers, the reflex of sentiment and regards, spoke eloquently. Tender, fragile nature—the flowers—the best offering of man's endearment—were poured out before the untenanted form in the utmost profusion. Here was no mockery or curiosity's rebuke, but the substitutes for moans and tears.

The crowds were of strange mixture: Pugilists, those men of hard knocks, yet who are touched as little children; sporting people of every variety paying homage to a passing angel of their clan. It is strange, indeed! Bohemia responds to Bohemia when she falls as none other.

"Not a sparrow falleth
But what its God doth know."

And we are more than sparrows. Will He not take cognizance of us, even if we should fall in unexpected places?

The preacher said: "Is there anyone in this church who can be so cruel as to deny one star of hope to the weary one?" His question is no less than a declaration that there was hope beyond.

Mrs. Johnson's faith and creed are unknown to me. But it is reasonable to think that she made an earnest appeal at the final moment and to whom it was worth while. His ways are past finding out, and who knows but what tired souls may be gathered unto their rest that we reckon not of.

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THE FUNERAL OF MRS. JACK JOHNSON.

Crowds Gather at Church and Cemetery—Mother and Sister Are Present.

CHICAGO—Atta Duryea Johnson, the white wife of John Arthur Johnson, champion pugilist of the world, was buried amid scenes that could not have occurred on any other occasion. Her dramatic suicide had wrought up public interest, and thousands congregated in the streets around the Johnson residence, at the church and at the cemetery. Police estimate the crowds at 20,000, and great difficulty was experienced by squads of the mounted police clearing a path for the cortege.

At the residence a brief prayer was said by Rev. John W. Robinson, of St. Mark's African Methodist church. The coffin reposed in a great bed of lilies of the valley. There were roses everywhere, four automobiles being required to carry the floral tributes. As the cortege started from the residence the police fought with the throng to make a path for the hearse and automobiles conveying relatives. A number of women fainted and had to be lifted out of the dense crowd.

It was a remarkable scene. Many were there who were genuinely distressed at the pitiful grief of Johnson, for he has many friends among prominent white men. There were mingled in the crowded throng white men and women, actresses, prize fighters, Negroes of every shade and condition, and the thousands drawn purely by morbid curiosity.

Colored Girls Sang.

Strains of "Nearer, My God, to Thee" seldom reach the ear of the hardened fighter of the prize ring. Clang of the bell and shouts of the crowd are their music. Yet when the song rose from the throats of the choir of colored girls at St. Mark's church tears unrestrained coursed down the cheeks of the widower and a score of other battle-scarred pugilists.

"Pretty tough goin'," mumbled "California Jack" Anderson, former Pacific Coast lightweight, as he furtively wiped his streaming eyes with his new black plush Fedora.

The church was densely packed and the heavy odor of the great masses of beautiful flowers caused women to faint. On the gray casket, in the midst of the banks of flowers, there shone one tiny white candle.

"Is there anyone in this church who can be so cruel as to deny one star of hope to the weary one?" asked Rtv. John Robinson, as he arose to deliver the sermon. "Is there anyone who cannot let the great mantle of charity cover the call of a disquieted heart?"

In his sermon Rev. Mr. Robinson cleared up a point not generally known to the public when he declared in a short sketch of Mrs. Johnson that she was married to John Arthur Johnson on February 11, 1910. He said she was born September 25, 1881, at Hemstead, L. I.

Champion Supports Mother-in-Law.

Rev. Mr. Robinson announced that the mixed choir would sing the favorite song of Mrs. Johnson, "Take the Name of Jesus With You," which she learned to love when a member of the congregation of St. James Methodist church, of Brooklyn, N. Y. At the close of the song the pastor declared that its theme emphasized the peace that had entered the life of one who had been troubled and who had found the struggle of life weary.

Mrs. Johnson's mother and sister, Mrs. David Terry and Miss Elaine Terry, of Brooklyn, N. Y., appeared in the doorway, the former supported by her dusky son-in-law. She was sobbing bitterly, and as she descended the stairs the pugilist half supported, half carried her. Both mother and daughter were heavily veiled. Some were surprised when the two women entered the closed limousin, its gray curtains drawn, with Johnson. Before the services they had remained in a room above the parlor alone.

At the close of the services the casket was opened, and an opportunity given to those assembled to see the features of Mrs. Johnson for the last time. Johnson himself was the first to pass the bier, and as he did so the crowd became hushed and the movement in the aisles ceased. Johnson bent down and kissed the pallid clay on the brow and turned away, his great frame shaking with emotion. He sobbed as a child as the lengthy proression passed in review before the casket.

Noted Sporting Men There.

Others who wept unashamed as they passed were "Tom" Flanigan, aJck Barry, Barney Furey, Abe Harris, Jack Curley and a score of lesser pugilistic lights. There were many white people in the line.

The pallbearers were Johnson's intimate friends and included his trainers, Negro detectives from the city force and business friends. As the procession came from the church, twenty mounted police found themselves hard put to it to make a path for the cortege, which wormed its way through the thousands. Burial was at Graceland cemetery, where brief services were held. Morbidly curious thousands crowded about the receiving vault and blocked the funeral. The throngs pushed eagerly forward as the casket was carried to the vault by the six black pallbearers. In the crowd the whites outnumbered the blacks.

Pushing over each other to get a glimpse of the strange procession, the crowds nearly separated members of the mourning party. It was with difficulty that Jack Curley, formerly manager of the pugilist, was able to keep his feet as he supported Mrs. David Terry, mother of the dead woman.

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AN APPRECIATION OF MR. S. COLERIDGE-TAYLOR.

By a Friend and Former Pupil.

Editor THE FREEMAN:

Those of us who knew Mr. Coleridge-Taylor best are just beginning to realize that it is really true that our eminent composer has passed to the great beyond. When the news came from London on September 2 that Samuel Coleridge-Taylor had died the day before, we could not believe that this master of only thirty-seven years was no more. But, alas, it is too true!

I believe that Mr. Coleridge-Taylor's life and work meant more to the young Negro musician and music student here in America than can be told in words. That his life was an inspiration to me is putting it mildly. My acquaintance with Mr. Coleridge-Taylor dates back to my student days at Oberlin (1896-1900), when I received from him a number of his violin compositions and a very kind letter, saying that Mr. Frederick Loudon, who was then in London, had spoken to him of me. It is useless for me to say how eagerly I practiced those compositions, and how many, many times I read and re-read that letter.

On the occasion of Mr. Coleridge-Taylor's first visit to America I had the honor of playing with him for the first time in America his "African Dances," and then was formed a friendship that lasted up till the time of his death. During my two years' study in London it was my great privilege to be his pupil in theory and to play in the famous String Players' Club, of which he was then the conductor. As Landon Ronald, the famous English conductor, says in the London Daily Telegraph of September 3: "Mr. Coleridge-Taylor was in every sense a gentleman, and was ever ready to give a helping hand and had a kindly word for everybody. He was one of the most modest men it has been my lot to meet." And so it was I knew him. In his home he was always the devoted husband and father. How well I remember many delightful walks we had about both London and Croydon, where he lived. Only a few weeks ago I received a long letter from him, telling of his new works and of what he had accomplished during the past season, and how he was looking forward to his early autumn work.

As both friend and teacher I found him a man of great personality and one who out of the goodness of his heart was ever ready with encouraging words and helpful suggestions. He had a keen sense of humor and always enjoyed a good story. Those who knew him best will never forget his cheery smile and affable manner. It was indeed a blessing to know him and count him as a friend.

Coleridge-Taylor will live as long as there is a boy or girl with Negro blood in his or her veins, who has the "spirit of song" in his or her heart; and his life and achievements will be a beacon light to all who have the ambition to go on and accomplish great things in the art in which he was such a glorious star.

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Boston, Mass.

THE DIXIE THEATER, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

At the Dixie this week the Patterson and Patterson are cleaning up in their new act. It is a real novelty. Sanders, that wonderful buck and wing dancer, is still cutting them out, and leaves the audience in a scream. Mrs. Billingsley is still on the bill with her sweet voice. Little Catherine gets 'em going when she sings and dances "Mr. Dream Man." Mr. Drake, the man of ahe minute, with his comedy, and when he sings that famous song, "Beans, Beans, Beans," he carries everybody with him. The house is packed every night, and everybody is smiling.

THE DIXIE THEATER, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

This theater has been packed at every performance since the opening. Crowds have attended the performances of interstate vaudeville at the Dixie since the opening. The presentations here are the same as those offered n some of the largest cities in the United States, among which are Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis.

The bill this week is excellent, but no more so than the management has promised for next week.

Patterson and Patterson, Sanders and Billingsley, Drake and Nicholson are all drawing applause this week.

THE J. H. BOYER FASHION PLATE MINSTRELS.

Like bad weeds that thrive in almost any climate, so it is with the Fashion Plate Minstrels. Good business always, notwithstanding the conditions of the weather. The big rehearsals for the No. 2 show begin on or about November 1.

Prof. P. G. Lowery, our esteemed friend and manager, paid us a short visit last week and was treated like a potentate by all members of the company. He was well pleased with the show as a whole, also delighted as well as being surprised at the way in which patient Arthur L. Prince has taught each performer and musician his prompt and clockwork style of minstrelsy.

Miss Carrie Gilbert is introducing a child specialty which is exceptionally good and pleases the younger folks as well as the older ones.

Several new members have recently joined, including the veteran tenor, Mr. Watts.

Elmer Robbins and Ruth Sprague, a bran new act, are making them set up and take notice, as both do some very clever work.

An auto party made a flying visit to the Lowery aggregation at Red Oak, Ia., and enjoyed the show immensely, as well as embracing the cool zephyrs of a nineteen-mile ride.

Best wishes to Lowery and company.

PEKIN THEATER, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

The bill was very good. The show once more met with the approval of the audience. Jim Wise, of the team of Miles and Wise, delivered an address to the audience on the amateur night and Mr. Wise said that he had not been in vaudeville long after touring the United States for the last sixteen years with one night stands and that he had met with one of the most high-class audiences he had ever played before in the one which he was addressing. After the show Saturday night, in private conveyances Miles and Wise were taken to the home of Mr. Tulane and entertained by Dr. Ball, the veterinary, and Dr. Brown and Mr. Tulane. Again Sunday they were entertained by the Adams Club at their private room at the home of Mrs. Owens, 615 High street. The entertainment began about 2 o'clock and dismissed at 6:15. The members of the Adams Club left singing "Don't Forget the Number, Don't Forget the Place." The members present were Ed Harris, tenor; A. G. Carlton, tenor; A. C. Jones; J. V. Bragsdale, pianist; Dr. W. R. Brown, toastmaster; James E. Lang, R. K. Wallace, and Mr. Nathan Brown, who will be married Wednesday, September 18th. Mr. Wiles and Mr. Wise are invited to the wedding especially to sing "Lord, Have Mercy on a Married Man."

BOOKER WASHINGTON AIRDOME, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Our stock company, as usual, is springing something new to S. R. O. audiences nightly. Our producer, Joe Golpin demonstrated his skill in his "Ham and Eggs in Africa," with Willie Owens, our star comedian, as Nappy Ham, and Wayne Burton as John Bad Eggs; Ella Gaines, as the queen; Uncle Joe, as the king; Dixie White and Bessie Smith, as the subjects.

This week the production is Mr. Golpin's latest creation with music by Harper H. Pugsley and lyrics by Mr. Golpin. The act is something out of the ordinary. Mr. Pugsley and Mr. Golpin have joined hands and will either be seen soon in vaudeville or producing and using their own music in some of the big theaters this season, with Willie Owens as their star comedian. Watch the Freeman for their ad. next week.

The profession will mourn the loss of Elza Ewing, who was shot and killed by Fred Fields Thursday, September 12. Mr. Ewing was a promising young comedian. His home was in Vicksburg, Miss. He was twenty years of age. The funeral services were held Thursday, September 19. Mr. Tom Turpin, our manager, sends regards to friends in and out of the profession. Uncle Joe sends regards to the bunch with Lowery's band.

LINCOLN THEATER, 135TH ST., NEW YORK CITY.

Big business; still packing them in at every performance. The officers have their hands full holding the crowds back. The The show Monday opened with the Miltons' singing and dancing act and went big. Next Miss Ruth Allen, soubret, who caught the audience in her songs of Parisienne and "When I Get You Alone Tonight" Then came the Moores, John and Lila, in their Italian act, "The Beggar and the Flower Girl." This act was a scream. Gulfport in his songs with that funny dance was a riot, and he was held over for the entire week. The Williams and Stevens Stock Company closed the bill with one of their screaming farces.

The bill for the last half of the week opened with Miss Gertie Sullivan (white), soubret. This act just got by. The Robertsons, Eugene and Cornelia, followed in their novelty roller skating and boxing act. They are the only colored team doing this style of an act, and they have taken the house by storm. Gulfport continued to be as big a scream the last half as he was the first. The Williams and Stevens Stock Company closed the bill with another side-splitting act entitled "Judge Yazoo."

Ethel and Luke are expected to leave soon for Chicago, where they open on the Doyle time.

Miss Virginia Deora, leading lady of the Williams and Stevens Stock Company, has just undergone a serious operation, but it is thought she will pull through all right.

Gulfport, formerly of the team of Gulfport and Day, left for Chicago, where he will join the Saparo Pumpkin Colored Trio.

The Robertsons, Eugene and Cornelia, left Monday for Washington, D. C., where they open on the Dudley circuit.

Williams and Stevens are in their ninth week at the Lincoln theater, New York City.

The Freeman is sold at the Williams & Stevens hotel, 234 West Thirtieth street, New York City.

REV. W. H. RILEY, OF LEXINGTON.

Secretary M. E. Church Conference—A Statement.

Some time ago our attention was called to a reference to Rev. W. H. Riley, made by H. Tolbert, our correspondent at Frankfort, Ky. It was held to be slanderous, and in view of which we were asked to publish corrections that were forwarded to this office by a brother of his conference, who had been authorized to make them. The conference sense was that it had complete confidence in the integrity of the reverend gentleman, and knew nothing that tended to invalidate his usefulness to that body.

Rev. E. A. Clark did make statement in kind to this publication, setting forth the estimate of the conference as he was ordered to do. We looked into the matter at the time, but was not impressed seriously with the fact that our correspondent had done much injury. But we do not mean to sit in judgment in the matter, since the reference was not complimentary, even if not hurtful. Again we say that we will not attempt to judge of the quality of the advertisement Rev. Riley got. Our correspondent thought he was egotistical; he said that Rev. Riley tried to prevent him from getting around freely during the conference in the pursuit of his business as a correspondent.

We are sorry indeed for such occurrences. We hope our correspondents will be big enough to overlook the small things that happen in business, and that they feel that such happenings are a part of the business. We hope that they will not see the necessity of saying things that can be construed as venomous, especially of those of large influence in their communities. Neither do we mean that supposed small people shall be selected. We hope to avoid unpleasantness with whosoever.

We give the foregoing for what it may be worth, hoping that it will prove satisfactory to those concerned. We feel to conclude by saying that our correspondent did not say anything that reflected on the character of Rev. Riley, saying at most that he was a busybody, who thought himself of important, a personal opinion. As said before, this was not complimentary, but not particularly injurious.

EDITOR FREEMAN.

THE COLORADO CONFERENCE.

The following appointments were made by the A. M. E. Conference recently held at Denver, Colo.:

Shorter Chapel, Denver, Colo.—Rev. R. L. Pope, D. D.
Campbell Chapel, Denver, Colo.—Rev. H. Franklin Bray, D. D.
Ward Chapel, Denver, Colo.—To be supplied.
Payne Chapel, Colorado Springs—Rev. C. H. Boone, A. B., B. D.
St. John, Pueblo, Colo.—Rev. J. B. Holmes.
St. Paul, Pueblo, Colo.—To be supplied.
Tanner Chapel, Phoenix, Ariz.—Rev. Frazier.
Grant Chapel, Albuquerque, N. M.—Rev. J. W. Rodgers.
Cheyenne, Wyo.—Rev. James Washington.
Boulder, Colo.—Rev. T. H. Wiseman.
Trinidad, Colo.—Rev. Endicutt.
Grand Junction—Rev. F. T. Fant.
La Junta, Colo.—Rev. K. P. Bond.
Cripple Creek, Colo.—Rev. J. C. Carter.
Salt Lake, Utah—Rev. S. S. Freeman.
Ogden, Utah—Rev. J. H. Brown, D. D.
Sheridan, Wyo.—Rev. B. F. McCully.
Leadville, Colo.—To be supplied.
Durango, Colo.—To be supplied.
Walsenburg, Colo.—Rev. P. D. Yeocum.
Alliance and Crawford, Neb.—Mrs. P. L. Maxfield.
Tucson, Ariz.—Rev. T. L. Cate.
Globe, Ariz.—Rev. W. T. Thornton.
Raton, N. M.—Rev. Wm. E. Ratcliffe.
Clifton, Ariz.—Rev. P. M. Rickman.
Douglass and Bisbee, Ariz.—To be supplied.
Las Vegas, N. M.—Rev. Ramsey.
Santa Fe, N. M.—Rev. Wm. Perry.
Rev. A. M. Ward, P. E. of the Rocky Mountain District, and Rev. . M. Tillman, P. E. of the Phoenix District.

HAPPENINGS IN AND ABOUT HENDERSON, KY.

Social, Personal and General News.

(By LaVetta Jones, 631 Sixth Street.)

An entertainment will be given Thursday evening at the First Baptist church by the Y. M. C. A. The feature of the evening will be the singing contest between Misses Jessie Miller and Cordelia Walton....A delightful hay ride was given by St. Clements Mission Saturday evening....Cary Lewis, the noted newspaper correspondent, spent Sunday in this city, ahe guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cabell....Mr. D. F. Cabell spent a few days in Madisonville, visiting his brother, P. R. Cabell....Mr. Atwood Cabell was in the city this week, the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. S. A. Cabell....Mrs. Louanna Day leaves this week for her home in California....Miss Sadie A. Cabell and brother, Mr. Delmo Cabell, of Madisonville, spent a few hours in the city en route to Louisville, where they will attend school....Mr. Charles Warden attended the circus in Evansville last week....Mr. S. Y. Beverly, who has been ill, is able to be out again....Miss Lucille Kennedy, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Kennedy, is ill at her home on Clay street.

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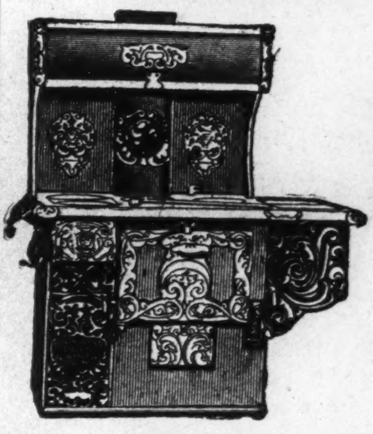

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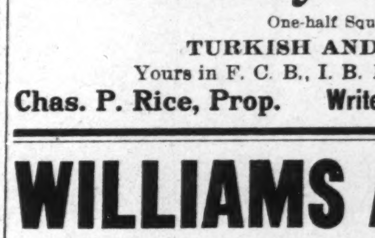

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Dr. Joseph H. Ward is able to be out, after several months' illness.

Mrs. Mary Robinson, mother of Mrs. Celia M. Stewart, is seriously ill at her home, 415 West Pratt street.

Prof. J. I. Gibson, of Galveston, Texas, was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Lucy Smith, 538 West Thirteenth street, last Sunday.

Emancipation day was observed in this city by the G. A. R. and by the Dumas Club, which is an adjunct of the uniform rank of the K. of P.'s, last Sunday and Monday, respectively.

Mr. Frank May, of Tuscola, Ill., was in the city this week. Branch No. 7 of the Equal Suffrage Association of Indiana will hold a big mass meeting at Mt. Zion Baptist church, Thursday evening, October 3, at 8 o'clock. There will be several interesting speeches made on equal suffrage by speakers of both races. Everybody invited to come. No admission charged. Miss Carrie Bornes, a teacher in the public schools is president of Branch No. 7.

WHEREABOUTS OF LOST RELATIVES.

I had a sister in Brownsville, Tenn., named Mary Davis. I would like to hear from her. My present address is 223 West National avenue, Brazil, Ind.

William Gentry Davis.

JIM JACKSON WILL MEET JACK LESLIE.

Jim Jackson writes Mr. Billy McClain from Jacksonville, Fla., saying he will box Jack Leslie or any other light heavyweight in America. He says: "While I only weigh 165 pounds, I am willing to concede weight to anybody, barring Jack Johnson. He hopes Mr. McClain will arrange something for him.

MADAM WALKER IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

Mme. C. J. Walker, the noted hair culturist of Indianapolis, Ind., will be in Louisville, Ky., Saturday, September 28, to make arrangements to teach the class formed by her field agent, Miss Mary A. Lynch, of Salisbury, N. C., Miss Lynch having been called to Nashville, Tenn., to assist in a class there. Mme. Walker, while in Louisville, may be found at the residence of Miss Lula Flint, 1423 West Madison street. Persons desiring to enter the class may call on her Saturday at the residence of Miss Flint.

THE CHANTICLEER FOUR IN INDIANAPOLIS.

The Chanticleer Four, Lula Coates, Florence Smiley, Keene and Johnson, did not open at the Crown Garden, as it was thought they would do, because their salary demand was too large. The management made an effort to come to terms, but Miss Coates held out for her price. She positively refused to recede from her demand.

Misses Coates and Smiley are spending the week very pleasantly at the home of Mrs. Elwood C. Knox. They are otherwise being entertained, being wined and dined right along.

Mrs. Knox, in speaking of the costumes to be worn in the Chanticleer, says they are the most gorgeous that she has ever seen.

The act opens up at the Hippodrome, St. Louis, Monday, September 30. Will be on big time shortly.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

All men who are interested in Bible study or who desire to enter a class in Bible study should meet at the Y. M. C. A. on next Tuesday evening, at which time the Bible work for the season will be inaugurated. The Tuesday night Bible class will elect its officers on this evening and the work for the coming year will be outlined. This class last year proved to be one of the most successful classes ever conducted by the Association. Rev. W. M. Weaver, pastor of the Senate Avenue Presbyterian church, was the teacher last year and is expected to take the class again this year. On next Tuesday night, it is expected that Hollis A. Wilbur, general secretary of the work of the Y. M. C. A. at Kobe, Japan, will address the men. All men are invited. The meeting starts promptly at 7 p. m., with supper at 6:30 p. m., for those who desire to attend.

The boys' department of the Y. M. C. A.fl opened with a rush on last Monday night. The boys' Bible and gymnasium classes give promise this year of surpassing all previous ones. Secretary Thos. E. Taylor directed the juniors on the floor.

Everything is ready and all plans are complete for the seniors' gymnasium opening on Tuesday, October 8th, at which time it is expected that all of last year's class will again be seen on the floor and also many new ones.

This year is expected to be the greatest in the association history of Indianapolis. Our monster meetings are to be greater in spirit as well as larger in number. The Glee Club is to shoulder a deal of the work this season. Thus, are men, who wish to join the vocal organization, invited to attend each Tuesday evening.

Under the capable directorship of Rev. J. Bryce, we are hoping that the Glee Club will occupy a very high standard of musical ability. Glee Club practice each Tuesday at 8 p. m.

The football squad of the Y. M. C. A. was out for the first practice of the season last Saturday afternoon.

We wish to state that we are very sincere and filled with an unselfish desire, when we invite all men to attend the various classes and functions, given from time to time during the fall and winter season, by the active workers of the Y. M. C. A.

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The Hill Bros., proprietors of this popular resort, offer special attractions each evening next week. Monday night will be colored vaudeville night. The Latonia Derby, in two reels, will be given Wednesday night. "Waneta's Sacrifice," in two reels, thrilling from start to finish, will be given Thursday night. "The Massacre of the Santa Fe Trail, 101 Bison," in two reels, will be given during the week.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL COLORED M. E. CHURCH.

Rev. J. L. Thompson, Pastor.

Sunday School, 9:30; preaching, 11 a. m., 7:30 p. m., by pastor; preaching at 3:30 p. m. by the Rev. Carpenter, of Scott's Shapel, on account of conference rally. A concert and guessing contest will be given Friday, October 4, by the officers. The second Sunday in October will be the last Sunday before conference. All members are requested to come out. All invited.

JONES TABERNACLE.

North and Blackford Streets, Sunday, September 29, 1912.

There will be preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor.

At 3 p. m., there will be a special service, at which time a special program will be rendered and some choice speeches made. Chief among them will be an address delivered by Judge James A. Collins, of the city court, on the subject of "Present Day Evils." Every man and woman of the colore drace is asked to be present and hear this magnetic speaker.

There will be choice music rendered by the juvenile choir.

A Suitable Welcome.

The members and friends of Stewardess Board No. 2 of Jones' Tabernacle A. M. E. Zion church gave the reappointed pastor and wife, the new converts and members who have recently joined the church magnanimous welcome on Monday night, September 23.

An appropriate program was rendered at which time the following persons prayed sang and made suitable remarks: Mrs. S. L. Sweed, instrumental solo; welcome address, Mrs. L. E. Cochran; remarks by Mrs. Margaret Rape; vocal solo, Miss Helen Cochran; remarks by Mr. W. A. Kersey; welcome on behalf of the Buds, Little Mary Moore; remarks by Rev. Jas. Stapleton; duet, Mrs. Mary Allen and Little Mary Moore; remarks by Mr. Thompson of the Ebenezer Baptist church; remarks by Rev. A. E. Foreman, pastor of Simpson chapel. Responses were made by Rev. and Mrs. Rowan.

The board had prepared light refreshments in the lecture room, to which place we repaired and spent a lovely time until the "wee" hours. Mrs. M. E. Moore, the president of the board, was the very efficient and painstaking mistress of ceremonies.

A Card of Thanks.

The pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Rowan, wish, through this medium, to express their sincere thanks to all concerned for such tangible expressions, and want to assure you that they will, if possible, render even better service this year than in previous ones.

Thanking you again for past and present courtesies, and soliciting your cooperation for the future, we have the honor to be right truly,

REV. AND MRS. W. I. ROWAN.

BOXING CONTESTS AT UNION THEATER.

Will Be Given in Detail Next Issue.

Billy McClain, the amusement promoter, pulled off a good show at the Union Theater last Monday night. The house was comfortably, looking very much like the past days when the Union was standing as a good theatrical venture.

The band played outside, then inside, and in the end succeeded in cleaning up the streets of all strollers. All roads lead to the house of fun.

Billy introduced his Belgium novelty, "Whizzing the Whiz," which was worth the money. It was the funniest thing that ever happened.

The other features were the contest between One Round Bess and Young Joe Gans, the sparring exhibition of Kid Edwards and Wm. Taylor, Young Lowery and Bill Maxey and the battle royal. See Freeman next week.

MARINES TO SANTO DOMINGO.

WILMINGTON, Del.—After a conference with President Taft on his private car en route to New York today Acting Secretary of the Navy Beekman Winthrop announced that a force of 750 United States marines will be dispatched at once to Santo Domingo.

A. B. C.'S DEFEAT ALL-PROS.

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The A. B. C.'s deefated the All Pros, at Northwestern Park Sunday by the score of 6 to 2. aBrtiett was invincible, B. Anderson getting the only hit for the visitors. A home run with one on base gave the Professionals their only scores. Whitridge was found easy for the local team and he was hit at will. Herron, of the A. B. C.'s did some fast fielding, accepting seven chances without an error.

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

Reception to Prof. W. B. Matthews—Dr. Parish and Wife in Texas—Politics Looming Up.

(By Lee L. Brown, 1006 West Chestnut Street.)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Special.

Cary B. Lewis, after a pleasant sojourn in the city, visiting his parents and friends, left Wednesday morning for Chicago, by way of Indianapolis.

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Mrs. Lucy A. Brown, of 1006 West Chestnut street, after a five months' stay in Vancouver, British Columbia, has returned to Louisville. En route home, she stopped over in St. aPul and Chicago.

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The news of the death of Attorney McGee, of St. Paul, was received in this city with deep regret, as the deceased was well known in this city. Only a short time ago he was here on professional business.

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Rev. C. H. Parrish and wife at this writing are still sojourning in Texas. After the National Baptist convention, which convened at Houston, they left for Galveston. It was decided at the National Baptist convention to remove the headquarters of the foreign mission to Philadelphia. Rev. L. G. Jordan has control of this department. We hate to see him go.

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A large number of boys and girls left this week to enter colleges in different parts of the country.

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The emancipation anniversary that had been planned by a number of young men to be held last Sunday was declared off. During the morning, Rev. C. B. Allen, pastor of the Knox Presbyterian church, delivered a special sermon upon the emancipation celebration.

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Dr. R. L. Summers, a graduate of the Northwestern Dental Department of Chicago, has established an office in this city on West Chestnut street. The doctor is also a member of the faculty at the State University.

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Woman's day was observed last Sunday, at Jacob Street tabernacle. Quite an interesting program was listened to by a large number of friends who gathered there.

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Brown's School of Stenography opened last Monday with an encouraging number of pupils.

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We are authorized to announce the marriage of Miss Mary Butler, of this city, to Mr. Wiley Daniels, of Henderson, Ky. The marriage was solemnized Thursday evening, September 26, at the residence of the bride, 320 South Fifteenth street.

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The Alpha Phi Alpha held a special session last Thursday evening at the office of Dr. Brock.

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The Negro Outlook Committee held its regular meeting at the headquarters, 1006 West Chestnut street, Friday evening. Quite a number of members were present.

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The Y. M. C. A. building is nearing completion. Every day a large number of persons are seen inspecting the new improvements, especially are the boys interested in the new swimming pool being installed and the gymnasium.

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The Douglass Debating Club, composed of a number of high school boys, under the direction of Mr. T. F. Blue, of the branch library, held its first scholastic meeting last week. From all reports, the boys are going to work with a vim.

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At the opening of the high school this year, it was remarkable to notice the large number of smaller boys and girls who came from the graded schools to enter the high school. Very often we have been forced to ask "are you really in the high school?" This speaks well for the teachers in the grade schools.

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On Tuesdan evening, at 8 o'clock, there was held a public reception given in honor of the new principal of Central colored high school, Prof. W. B. Matthews, of Atlanta, Ga. The program included special addresses by some of the leading citizens of the city, of which we might name the following: Messrs. W. H. Steward, A. E. Meyzeek, W. T. Merchant, J. C. Anderson, J. F. Simpson and E. G. Harris. Rev. C. B. Allen served as master of ceremonies. These addresses were listened to with great interest. The address of Prof. Matthews was greeted by the audience with loud applause. Among the many things that he said, we noted the following, which sink deep into the hearts of all who were present. That he believed in order, punctuality and cleanliness of body, mind and soul. He placed special emphasis on each outline. He impressed upon his hearers that the teacher should set the example; that often when a teacher is trying to instruct a pupil that pupil will reason in his mind and ask himself this question: "How can I obey you when I am thinking what you are?" He closed his address by saying that he believed that the authority of the teacher should be a unit. After the program the principal shook the hands of all present. Cream and cake were served by the committee in charge.

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The races are in progress in this city. Quite a number of strangers are in the city.

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Politics in Kentucky are beginning to wax warm. The forces are lining up for one grand battle, to be held in November. How Kentucky stands, we are unable to say; we can only rest on our swords and watch for results. The newspaper men say that the campaign headquarters are not sending very much money this way, yet tons of literature come in on every mail.

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Louisville Pythians are preparing to do great things this fall. A campaign for new members is about to be launched.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Church, Society and General News of Indiana.

(By Benita Morrow, 411 Olive St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. James O'Hara is in the city on a vacation....Mr. James R. Porter is improving nicely....Mrs. Mamie Newcomb returned home Thursday night from Paducah, Ky....Mr. Riley McFarland has been in Terre Haute attending the hod carriers' union convention....Misses L. Anderson and Viola Gibson have been a little indisposed for the past week....It was quite a sad thing to hear of the death of Mr. Robert McFarland, a well-known business man of this city. He was a victim of heart disease. He died last Tuesday night. He leaves a devoted wife to mourn his demise. Mr. McFarland had for many years been one of the leading horse traders of Evansville....Mrs. Taylor, of Olive street, was indisposed the latter part of the week....We are all very glad to know that Mr. Grant Gordon is able to be up and out again. He is a well-known barber of this city....Mrs. Amanda Larkins, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mary L. McKee, left Sunday morning en route for St. Louis to visit her son....Mrs. Annie Kimborough, who is visiting her mother, is ill from fever....Miss Ora Mae Willett accompanied Benita Morrow to Henderson Saturday, where they spent a delightful day with the girls and boys of that city. Among the parties met were Misses Allen, Rapier and Dorsia, Messrs. Banks, Phillips, Frazier, Jones and Warden....Mr. William Cooper, one of our well-known teachers, is ill at his home....Mr. Shelby McFarland is in our city again....Mrs. Whitlock, who was in the city as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Watkins, of William street, left last Saturday for her home in Kentucky....Mrs. Katie Pollard, who has been visiting her mother, left Sunday night for her home in Rockville, Ill....Mrs. Nance, of Indianapolis, is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, of Outer Lincoln avenue. ....Miss Alice Weekly and two daughters, Ruth and Willie, left for their home in Owensboro last Sunday....Mr. Henry Moss is on the sick list....Miss Irene Hopkins left Tuesday morning for Centralia, Ill....Messrs. Woods, Larkins and Matthews accompanied Mrs. McKee to Henderson Saturday, where they enjoyed themselves to the highest extent, being with the relatives of Mrs. McKee. Mrs. Mary Lilly, of Henderson, showed the party a nice time, also Mrs. Maggie Powell....Don't forget that Sunday, September 29, is Ruth day at Bland Avenue church. All are cordially invited to attend. Sermon by Rev. Tate....Customers will oblige the agent by paying promptly. ....Mrs. Thomas McFarland has returned from a month's stay in Chicago....The old soldiers celebrated the emancipation proclamation at Barnett's park, where a delightful time was spent. Welcome address was made by Uncle Robert Nicholas; prayer by Rev. Stanley, the new preacher of the Fifth Street church; proclamation read by Lucile Morton; a paper by Rev. Tate. There were two or three other speakers, also music conducted by Miss Irma Anderson, of Philadelphia. After the exercises music was rendered by Jones and Hamilton. Everybody had the opportunity to take a swing....The Y. M. C. A. gave a foot social last Thursday....Miss Carrie Porter is in the city again....If you want to know all the news, just read the Freeman....Mr. Rudolph O'Hara and Miss Clara B. Tanner were married last week. Mr. O'Hara is the undertaker of our city. Miss Tanner is from Hopkinsville, Ky....Mr. Leslie Hamilton is making quite a hit at the Theatorium with his trap drum accompaniments. We hope he will continue to progress in his line of work....The Knights of Pythias celebrated the emancipation proclamation at Oak Summit park. Miss Rosetta Underwood, one of last year's graduates, read the proclamation. Lawyer Wilson was the speaker of the day....Mr. Howard Forte was out with his vaudeville show at the emancipation proclamation at Oak Summit park. After the show the music was put on in full sway, and everybody enjoyed themselves to the highest extent.

SHELBYVILLE, KY.

By Miss Florence Hall.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Florence Hall and Mrs. Busset, of Bloomfield, attended the fair....Mr. and Mrs. William Samuel, Jr., spent a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Samuel, Sr....Mr. and Mrs. William Samuels, Sr., Mrs. Elijah Biggs, Mrs. Walter Bigg gave a grand reception at the Samuels residence in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William Samuels, Jr....Mrs. Stone spent a few days visiting her mother.... Mrs. Annie Belle Carr and Mrs. Addie Ellis spent a few days with friends here ....Mr. Edward Martin has returned from Indianapolis, Ind......Miss Mary Hester Oliver has returned from Anderson, Ind. ....Mrs. Alfred Shelbourn spent a few weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. Madison Bivens....Mrs. Mary Francis Beard attended the Danville fair....Mr. William Brown and Miss Florence Hall, your correspondent, attended the Baptist meeting at Harrisonville, Ky....Miss eBssie Wilson, Miss Hattie Jackson and Messrs. Ed. Scott and Alonzo Jackson spent Saturday in Louisville, Ky.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. T. Scott gave an old-time social on Tuesday evening, September 17, in honor of her two daughters, Misses Carrie and Cora Scott, who departed for Chicago on Wednesday. There were between fifty and seventy-five guests present. A grand luncheon was served and a good time was enjoyed....Mr. W. H. Lewis, our leading barber, made a business trip to St. Louis, Mo., last week and while there he hired a first-class barber, Mr. W. Robinson, and brought him home with him....Mrs. Joseph Bibbs has sold the barber shop to Mr. Scott Willis, who is doing a good business....Mrs. S. Willis is planning a trip to Nashville, Tenn., for a few weeks' stay. She will visit her sister and friends ....Miss Ollie Callaway has gone to Bloomington, Ill., where she will attend the normal....Mr. S. Bunell has just returned home from Jackson, where he has been visiting relatives....Mrs. H. Bunell went to Mounds, Ill., to visit her parents ....Mr. D. Brock thought of the Bible word that living alone was not good, and took unto himself a helpmate, Miss D. Ogelsby, of Mounds. They were married in St. Louis, Mo., on September 16 end the kettle and tin pan band serenaded them on the 17th....Mr. T. Callaway has about gotten his new farm home finished ....Mr. O. A. Cash is now busy shipping his pears. He ships from two to three hundred bushels a day..Mrs. W. Hearns is on the sick list.

BALTIMORE (MD.) ITEMS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robinson, of Bolivar, W. Va., made a surprise visit to Harry McCubbins, of 516 West Conway street.. ..Quite a lot of students of Baltimore are attending the college at Harper's Ferry....Mr. Charles Gray, of 1129 Park avenue, has returned home from a vacation.

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